

State of Maryland

Consolidated Plan Annual Performance Report

For the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015

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CONSOLIDATED PLAN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT

Introduction

The Consolidated Plan is a planning document required by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Plan covers a five-year period and is updated annually. The Five Year Plan report covers the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015. The Plan is designed to coordinate Federal (and to a lesser extent State) resources to provide decent housing, economic opportunities, and an acceptable living environment to all Maryland citizens. The Consolidated Plan must be submitted to HUD in order for the State to receive funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) entitlement programs, as well as funding under competitive HUD programs.

Maryland's Consolidated Plan set forth three over-arching goals the State wants to carry out over the five years of the Plan - revitalizing communities, encouraging homeownership, and expanding the supply of decent affordable housing. As noted above, the five-year Consolidated Plan is updated annually. This is done through a document called the Annual Action Plan. The Annual Action Plan sets more detailed, one year goals to carry out the overarching goals in the Consolidated Plan. As part of the Consolidated Planning process, the State is also required to submit a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to HUD which details progress the State has made in carrying out its detailed one-year goals in the Action Plan, as well as its overall five-year goals. This document is the CAPER that covers the fifth and final year of the currently completed five year Plan, that is, the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

The APR follows a HUD-proscribed format and is in two parts. The first part describes the Annual Performance of the State, looking at resources made available to the state, investment of resources, households and persons assisted, and other actions undertaken. It also includes a discussion of achievements made in improving institutional structures, intergovernmental cooperation, coordination of the low-income housing tax credit with other housing programs, public housing resident initiatives, lead paint abatement, and fair housing, among other areas. The second part of the APR is a self-assessment of the State's performance compared to the goals it set forth in its Plan.

PART I - ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

RESOURCES MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE

FEDERAL RESOURCES

The table below shows the federal funds the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) received from the federal government for housing, community development, and economic development activities during the reporting period. The table does not include funds provided directly to entitlement jurisdictions (Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Harford, Howard, Prince George's, and Montgomery Counties, and the cities of Annapolis, Baltimore, Bowie, Cumberland, Frederick, Gaithersburg, Hagerstown, and Salisbury) which prepare their own Consolidated Plans, Action Plans, and CAPERs.

| FEDERAL FUNDING – APPROPRIATIONS July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | |
|--|----------------------|
| PROGRAM | AMOUNT AWARDED |
| HOME | \$9,218,607 |
| CDBG | \$7,554,319 |
| ESG | \$953,756 |
| DOE Weatherization | \$3,469,794 |
| Rural HOPWA | \$200,015 |
| Section 8 Vouchers | \$16,126,203 |
| Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation | \$327,254 |
| Section 8 Contract Administration | \$189,200,344 |
| CSBG | \$8,209,378 |
| TOTAL | \$235,259,670 |

Additional Resources

Aside from direct appropriations, DHCD and its partners may receive additional funding from the federal government, through bond or tax credit authority, competition, or pass through funding from other agencies. Below is a summary of funding received from these sources during the reporting period:

Housing Revenue Bonds

Housing Revenue Bonds (HRBs) are a federal resource provided to the State through the federal tax code. HRBs are issued on a calendar year (CY) basis, with the amount a State can issue based on population. During the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, DHCD issued a total of \$277,016,767 in HRBs. Of that amount, \$124,245,000 was used for rental housing loans to provide affordable rental housing for low- and moderate-income households, \$71,461,767 was used to provide single family mortgages to low and moderate income households and \$81,310,000 was used to refund, at lower interest rates, prior bonds issued by CDA. DHCD also issued \$203,000,000 for Mortgage Credit Certificates which will provide a tax credit to low and moderate income households with a qualified single family mortgage.

Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits

The State of Maryland received a total of \$14,543,667 in competitive Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (Tax Credits) in CY 2014. (Similar to HRBs, Tax Credits are awarded on a calendar year basis). This included a per capita allocation of \$13,636,272 and \$907,395 from the 2014 National Pool Allocation and returned credits. The Department also allocates tax credits to projects that are funded with tax-exempt bonds. In 2014 the Department allocated \$1,551,522 in non-competitive tax credits.

Infrastructure Bonds

DHCD is a conduit issuer of public purpose bonds on behalf of local governments to finance or to refinance infrastructure improvements. This authority comes from federal laws and regulations pertaining to the issuance of tax-exempt bonds. Local government participants gain access to affordable capital with advantageous terms in order to finance critical infrastructure projects and serve communities across the State of Maryland. DHCD issued \$40,325,000 in Infrastructure Bonds during the reporting period.

Competitive Funding

In addition to the funds mentioned above, DHCD received competitive funding during the past year. This included about \$1,002,792 million in Housing Counseling Funding from NeighborWorks on top of about \$5,697,912 million in State funding. The Housing Counseling funds were passed through to fifty-one local intermediaries which includes both non-profit housing counseling agencies and legal service providers.

Housing sponsors may also receive competitive funds from the federal government for affordable housing or providing homeless assistance. These include Section 202 (elderly housing) funds, Section 811 (disabled housing) funds, Farmer's Home Administration funds, McKinney Act funds, and Public Housing Authority (PHA) funds, among others. Developers, PHAs, and/or nonprofit agencies apply directly to the federal government for funding under these programs.

In addition, DHCD received \$1 million from the Weinberg Foundation to allocate to projects for designating some rental housing units for disabled persons available at 30% or less of AML. The Weinberg funds will reduce the amount of mortgage on the property so the units can be rented for less. Winston's Choice Family Homes, Brinkley Hill Pointe and The Reserve at Somerset Commons received \$644,642 of Weinberg funds in FY 2014.

Pass Through Funding

DHCD received pass-through funding from several agencies during the past year to help housing and community revitalization efforts. The Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) passed through about \$1.5 million in funding from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), referred to as the Strategic Energy Investment Fund (SEIF) in Maryland, to make single-family homes more energy efficient. In the spring of calendar year 2012, DHCD assumed administration for the EmPOWER Low Income Energy Efficiency Programs (LIEEP) authorized through the EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act of 2008 and supported through rate payer funding from Maryland's five largest utilities. As the administrator of these programs, DHCD receives about \$72 million through the end of calendar year 2014 for use in energy conservation activities in Multi-family and Single Family properties. (Note: In late fall 2013 DHCD received \$1.5 million in pass through LIHEAP Funds from the Department of Human Resources in Low-Income Energy Efficiency Funding. DHCD expects to receive between \$1 and \$1.5 million in LIHEAP funding in the fall of 2014 as well. Beginning on July 1, 2013, DHCD will also receive \$28 million over the next three years from the Customer Investment Fund (CIF) established through the Constellation Exelon merger settlement for improved energy efficiency of affordable multifamily housing and low to moderate income single family households in the Baltimore Gas and Electric Service Area

DHCD also received just over \$1.6 million in pass through funds from the Appalachian Regional Commission to carry out community revitalization efforts in Western Maryland.

STATE RESOURCES

In addition to the federal funds it received, DHCD also received over \$80 million in State funds which helped to carry out the goals set forth in the Consolidated Plan. The table below shows the funds appropriated for the reporting period.

| STATE RESOURCES July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | |
|--|---------------------|
| PROGRAM | AMOUNT |
| Rental Housing Programs | \$40,230,000 |
| Partnership Rental | \$6,000,000 |
| Shelter and Transitional | \$1,500,000 |
| Rental Allowance Program | \$1,700,000 |
| Homeownership Programs | \$11,300,000 |
| Special Loan Programs | \$6,100,000 |
| Maryland Affordable Housing Trust | \$1,250,000 |
| Neighborhood BusinessWorks Programs | \$4,250,000 |
| Community Legacy Program | \$6,000,000 |
| Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Demonstration Initiative | \$1,680,000 |
| Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund | \$7,500,000 |
| MD BRAC Preservation Fund | \$3,000,000 |
| TOTAL | \$90,510,000 |

- Rental Housing \$40.23 million does not include \$4,625,000 of EmPOWER, and \$4,650,000 of Customer Investment Fund appropriated in SFY 15
- DHCD also issued \$1.75 million in State tax credits under the Community Investment Tax Credit Program.

INVESTMENT OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES

The information below provides summary descriptions of the activities undertaken during the reporting period.

FEDERALLY FUNDED ACTIVITIES

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROJECTS

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program provides grants to units of local government to carry out housing, public facility and economic development activities which predominantly benefit low and moderate-income persons.

The CDBG Program is comprised of two parts. The Entitlement Program is directly administered by HUD and provides Federal funds to large metropolitan "entitlement" communities. The State Program provides Federal funds to the States who then distribute funds to "non-entitlement" counties, small cities and towns. DHCD operates the State CDBG program on behalf of these jurisdictions, which are awarded to local governments on a competitive basis. The State awarded \$7,554,319 in CDBG funding during the reporting period which included the allocation from HUD, ARC and program income. The summary below shows the CDBG awards during the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

| Community Development Block Grant July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016 | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|-----------|----------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| CDBG Awardee | Description | Award | Leverage | Total Project Cost | Consolidated Plan Performance Measure | Con Plan Priority | Beneficial Type | Propose d Benef | Proposed LMI Benef |
| Charles County | Provide down payment and closing cost assistance to LMI homebuyers | \$250,000 | \$85,000 | \$335,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Housing | 16 | 16 |

**Community Development Block Grant
July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016**

| CDBG Awardee | Description | Award | Leverage | Total Project Cost | Consolidated Plan Performance Measure | Con Plan Priority | Beneficial Type | Propose d Benef | Proposed LMI Benef |
|-------------------------|---|--------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Wicomico County | Provide down payment and closing cost assistance to LMI homebuyers | \$200,000 | \$5,400 | \$205,400 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Housing | 19 | 19 |
| Wicomico County | Rehabilitation of housing for LMI homeowners | \$350,000 | \$353,576 | \$703,576 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Housing Rehabilitation | 15 | 15 |
| Worcester County | Rehabilitation of housing for LMI homeowners | \$300,000 | \$82,690 | \$382,690 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Housing Rehabilitation | 18 | 18 |
| Somerset County | Rehabilitation of housing for LMI homeowners | \$200,000 | \$65,000 | \$265,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Housing Rehabilitation | 13 | 13 |
| Garrett County | Acquisition, renovation, and new construction of existing senior rental housing development | \$440,000 | \$13,851,426 | \$14,291,426 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Housing Rehabilitation | 90 | 90 |
| Rock Hall -- A | Improvements to water system | \$75,000 | \$325,000 | \$ 400,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 1550 | 833 |
| Lonaconing | Repair collapsing wall which supports | \$26,600 | \$500 | \$27,100 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 1146 | 685 |

**Community Development Block Grant
July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016**

| CDBG Awardee | Description | Award | Leverage | Total Project Cost | Consolidated Plan Performance Measure | Con Plan Priority | Beneficial Type | Proposed Benef | Proposed LMI Benef |
|---------------------|---|--------------|-----------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| | bridge | | | | | | | | |
| Pittsville | Restore Town's open-ditch drainage system to prevent flooding | \$90,000 | \$2,475 | \$92,475 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 1417 | 856 |
| Berlin | Make improvements to the existing storm water management system | \$800,000 | \$1,148,951 | \$1,948,951 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 3341 | 1846 |
| Lonaconing | Repair and stabilize Beechwood Road bridge | \$20,400 | \$500 | \$20,900 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 1146 | 685 |
| Allegany County | Replacement of existing water lines, installation of new water meters and fire hydrant. | \$800,000 | \$7,752 | \$807,752 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 1172 | 822 |
| Elkton | Walnut Hill Water Tower | \$448,915 | \$258,188 | \$707,103 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 11310 | 6070 |
| Frostburg | Repair the lining of the dam. | \$318,000 | \$67,000 | \$385,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 7004 | 4072 |

**Community Development Block Grant
July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016**

| CDBG Awardee | Description | Award | Leverage | Total Project Cost | Consolidated Plan Performance Measure | Con Plan Priority | Beneficial Type | Proposed Benef | Proposed LMI Benef |
|----------------------|---|--------------|-----------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Dorchester County | County-wide housing study for LMI persons | \$29,750 | \$1,320 | \$31,070 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Planning | 5651 | 5651 |
| Lonaconing | Study Town's storm water collection and drainage system | \$35,000 | \$0 | \$35,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Planning | 1146 | 685 |
| Dorchester County | Construction of infrastructure for multi-purpose facility | \$600,000 | \$6,875,000 | \$7,475,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Public Facility | 920 | 644 |
| Funkstown | Remove architectural barriers from the Town Hall | \$74,300 | \$14,470 | \$88,770 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Public Facility | 184 | 184 |
| Centreville | Improve building used for mental health services | \$140,000 | \$166,000 | \$306,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Public Facility | 1000 | 1000 |
| Grantsville | Construct a commercial building | \$400,000 | \$662,000 | \$1,062,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Economic Development | 12 | 7 |
| Allegany County -- A | Water Improvement | \$150,000 | \$0 | \$150,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 12 | 9 |
| Calvert County | Addition to building | \$131,004 | \$40,800 | \$171,804 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Public Facility | 477 | 477 |

| Community Development Block Grant July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016 | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| CDBG Awardee | Description | Award | Leverage | Total Project Cost | Consolidated Plan Performance Measure | Con Plan Priority | Beneficial Type | Propose d Benef | Proposed LMI Benef |
| Henderson | Water System Improvements | \$45,000 | \$5,000 | \$50,000 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 205 | 175 |
| North Beach | Construction of Residential Facility | \$47,950 | \$60,000 | \$107,950 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Public Facility | 4 | 4 |
| Princess Anne | Acquisition of land for housing development | \$500,000 | \$13,716,794 | \$14,216,794 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Housing | 75 | 75 |
| Westernport | Repairs to Waverly Street Bridge | \$82,400 | \$2,800 | \$85,200 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Infrastructure | 2095 | 1365 |
| Easton | Extension of water and sewer at industrial park | \$1,000,000 | \$1,042,253 | \$2,042,253 | Revitalizes Communities | High | Economic Development | 100 | 51 |
| Totals | | \$7,554,319 | \$38,839,895 | \$46,394,214 | | | | 40138 | 26367 |

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS

Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) funds are awarded to nonprofit agencies who apply through local governments for ESG moneys. Funding is on a competitive basis. The table below shows Emergency Solutions Grant awards that were made during the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015

| Activity Type | Total Awarded |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Street Outreach | \$15,101.32 |
| Shelter | \$571,755.78 |
| Homeless Prevention | \$206,302.05 |
| Rapid Re-Housing | \$42,832.65 |
| Data Collection (HMIS) | \$33,244.60 |
| Administration | \$71,531.70 |
| Funds Not Committed | \$12,987 |
| Total | \$953,756 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| United Way of Central Maryland | Data Collection (HMIS) | \$28,307.10 | |
| | Total Award | \$28,307.10 | |
| | Total Project Costs | | \$100,000 |
| | Leverage | | \$71,692.90 |
| CARROLL COUNTY, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS | Maintenance and Operations | \$23,887.50 | |
| | Essential Services | \$19,250 | |
| | Total Award | \$43,137.50 | |
| | Total Project Costs | | \$556,716 |
| | Leverage | | \$513,578.50 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| CALVERT COUNTY, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS | Essential Services | \$21,568.75 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$22,837.50 | 0 |
| | Data Collection (HMIS) | \$0 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$44,406.25 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$393,665 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$349,258.75 |
| ANNAPOLIS, CITY OF | Maintenance and Operations | \$23,137.50 | 0 |
| | Essential Services | \$20,000 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$43,137.50 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | | \$296,581 |
| | Leverage | | \$253,443.50 |
| FREDERICK, CITY OF | Maintenance and Operations | \$33,137.50 | 0 |
| | Essential Services | \$10,000 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$43,137.50 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$654,300 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$611,162.50 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| ALLEGANY COUNTY, BOARD OF COMISSIONERS | Street Outreach | \$0 | 0 |
| | Shelter | \$0 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$0 | 0 |
| | Rapid Re-Housing | \$0 | 0 |
| | Data Collection (HMIS) | \$1,082 | 0 |
| | Maintenance and Operations | \$30,846.50 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$493 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$32,421.50 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | | \$189,236 |
| | Leverage | | \$156,814.50 |
| CHARLES COUNTY, MD, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS | Maintenance and Operations | \$22,562 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$5,587.50 | 0 |
| | Street Outreach | \$6,050 | 0 |
| | Essential Services | \$4,617 | 0 |
| | Data Collection (HMIS) | \$1,696 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$2,625 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$43,137.50 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$340,586 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$297,448.50 |
| FREDERICK COUNTY, MD | Essential Services | \$11,156.25 | 0 |
| | Maintenance and Operations | \$19,337.50 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$30,493.75 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$682,062 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$651,568.25 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| KENT COUNTY, MD | Maintenance and Operations | \$0 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$5,950 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$5,950 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$46,493 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$40,543 |
| HARFORD, COUNTY OF | Homeless Prevention | \$10,412.50 | 0 |
| | Maintenance and Operations | \$14,131.50 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$24,544 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$700,421 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$675,877 |
| TALBOT, COUNTY OF | Street Outreach | 0 | 0 |
| | Maintenance and Operations | \$6,582 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$39,093 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$45,675 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$718,145 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$672,470 |
| GARRETT COUNTY, MD | Maintenance and Operations | \$45,310 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$365 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$45,675 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$145,000 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$99,325 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| WASHINGTON COUNTY | Essential Services | \$11,347.48 | 0 |
| | Maintenance and Operations | \$26,534.92 | 0 |
| | Outreach | \$5,397 | 0 |
| | Rapid Re-Housing | \$1,910.65 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$2,133.25 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$47,323.30 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$643,812 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$596,488.70 |
| SALISBURY, CITY OF | Essential Services | \$14,687.50 | 0 |
| | Maintenance and Operations | \$31,447.05 | 0 |
| | Rapid Re-Housing | \$0 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$46,134.55 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$905,621 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$859,486.45 |
| WORCESTER, COUNTY OF | Maintenance and Operations | \$42,712.50 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$2,000 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$44,712.50 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$112,621 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$67,908.50 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD | Maintenance and Operations | \$1,210 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$20,730.80 | 0 |
| | Street Outreach | \$2,000 | 0 |
| | Essential Services | \$14,603.95 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$2,487.50 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$41,032.25 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | 0 |
| | Leverage | 0 | 0 |
| SOMERSET, COUNTY OF | Administration | \$3,099 | 0 |
| | Rapid Re-Housing | \$12,901 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$29,675 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$45,675 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$145,000 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$99,325 |
| HOWARD COUNTY OF MARYLAND | Essential Services | \$3,000 | 0 |
| | HMIS | \$570 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$30,439.75 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$5,000 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$39,009.75 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$326,838 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$287,828.25 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| CAROLINE, COUNTY OF | Maintenance and Operations | \$9,365 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$10,275 | 0 |
| | Essential Services | \$26,035 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$45,675 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$363,800 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$318,125 |
| DORCHESTER COUNTY, MD | Street Outreach | \$1,000 | 0 |
| | Maintenance and Operations | \$16,750 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$9,165 | 0 |
| | Rapid Re-Housing | \$20,335 | 0 |
| | Essential Services | \$2,000 | 0 |
| | Data Collection (HMIS) | \$500 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$1,000 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$50,750 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$210,000 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$159,250 |
| CECIL, COUNTY OF | Maintenance and Operations | \$21,500 | 0 |
| | Essential Services | \$5,380 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$14,450 | 0 |
| | Shared Administration | \$950 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$42,280 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$145,000 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$102,720 |

| ESG Subrecipient Awards by Activity : 2014-2015 | | | |
|--|------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Subrecipient | Activity Type | Awarded | Costs/Leverage |
| SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS | Essential Services | \$8,965.75 | |
| | Client Services | \$10,710 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$7,686 | 0 |
| | Rapid Re-Housing | \$7,686 | 0 |
| | Data Collection (HMIS) | \$1,089.50 | 0 |
| | Administration | \$2,283 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$38,420.25 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$210,000 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$171,579.75 |
| State of Maryland | Administration | \$49,095.95 | 0 |
| | Homeless Prevention | \$0 | 0 |
| | Total Award | \$49,095.95 | 0 |
| | Total Project Costs | 0 | \$49,095.95 |
| | Leverage | 0 | \$0 |

In 2015 the Maryland General Assembly appropriated \$1.94 million in state operating funds to match federal Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds to support homelessness services in state fiscal year 2016, which begins July 1, 2015. This constitutes a 184% match of Federal ESG funds.

The State funds will support and expand services similar to those supported by the federal ESG program. ESG funds are used to support operating costs, case management and client services, and staffing and administrative costs for shelters and post-shelter transitional units, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing and street outreach. Funds may also be used for assisting sheltered persons make the transition to permanent housing and independent living. The ESG program provides funding to: (1) engage homeless individuals and families living on the street; (2) improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; (3) help operate these shelters; (4) provide essential services to shelter residents, (5) rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families, and (6) prevent families and individuals from becoming homeless.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)

During the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, the State utilized \$9,218,607 in HOME funds. These funds were used for 42 loans, totaling 107 HOME-assisted units, at an average cost of \$86,155 per unit. These consisted of \$7,933,430 for multi-family rental housing projects, \$182,295 for homeownership assistance, \$668,461 for homeowner rehabilitation assistance, \$133,995 for 1 acquisition resale project, and \$ 300,426 for 4 group home projects.

There were 28 households who received direct homeownership assistance during the reporting period. HOME funds were primarily used as soft second mortgages to help make home purchases affordable, as well as for down payment and closing cost assistance. The table below provides information on direct homebuyer assistance financed by the HOME program:

| HOME- HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE ACTIVITY July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| County | Number of Loans | Amount of HOME Funds |
| Baltimore City | 4 | \$ 44,000 |
| Cecil | 5 | \$ 35,289 |
| Harford | 7 | \$ 35,000 |
| Montgomery | 11 | \$ 58,000 |
| Somerset | 1 | \$ 10,006 |
| TOTAL | 28 | \$ 182,295 |

Homeowner rehabilitation continued to play a major role in the HOME Program. There were 5 rehabilitation loans made to assist 5 households during the reporting period from the HOME Program funded Special Targeted Applicant Rehabilitation (STAR) program. The STAR program assisted households who could not qualify for other State loan programs. There were also 4 loans made to assist with the acquisition and rehabilitation of Group Homes for rental – 1 in Baltimore City for \$ 52,000 and 3 in Talbot County for \$ 248,246. Washington County also had 1 sponsor loan for acquisition/resale for \$ 133,995.

The table below provides information on Single Family rehabilitation activity:

| HOME – SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | |
|---|----------|-------------------|
| County | Units | Financing |
| Dorchester | 1 | \$ 128,520 |
| Kent | 2 | \$ 213,500 |
| Somerset | 1 | \$ 137,700 |
| Talbot | 1 | \$ 188,741. |
| TOTAL | 5 | \$ 668,461 |

Under the rental housing programs, five (5) multi-family rental housing projects received a total award of \$ 7,933,430 in HOME funds for 417 units of which 66 are HOME-assisted units.

| HOME MULTI-FAMILY PROJECTS July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| Project Name | County | Total Costs | HOME Funds | Total Units | HOME Units | Occupancy Type |
| Cannon St. Apts & Satterfield Court | Kent | \$2,658,270 | \$650,000 | 22 | 8 | Elderly |
| Samuel Chase Apartments | Somerset | \$7,929,289 | \$985,000 | 60 | 9 | Families |
| Old Towne Manor | Allegany | \$13,088,449 | \$2,500,000 | 138 | 30 | Families |
| Taney Village Apartments | Frederick | \$24,616,482 | \$2,448,430 | 130 | 22 | Elderly |
| The Meadows | Garrett | \$15,226,359 | \$2,000,000 | 90 | 15 | Elderly |
| TOTAL | | \$63,518,849 | \$8,583,430 | 440 | 83 | |

Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits

DHCD's Division of Development Finance (a.k.a. CDA) operates the Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program for the State of Maryland. Competitive credits are awarded on a competitive basis along with other rental housing programs in a coordinated uniform application. Non-competitive tax credits are awarded for projects that also include tax-exempt bonds. The Tax Credits themselves are awarded on a calendar year basis. Final tax credit determinations are made at the end of a calendar year. Therefore, the tables below cover the final awards as of December 31, 2014 that falls into the period covered in this performance report.

| COMPETITIVE FEDERAL LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDITS Calendar Year 2014 | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Project Name | Sponsor Name | County | Tax Credit | LI Units | Occupancy | Total Project Costs |
| Sunshine Village | Homes for America, Inc. | Worcester | \$606,689 | 52 | Families | \$9,307,784 |
| Bay Terrace Apartments | Severn Development Company, LLC | Worcester | \$540,316 | 32 | Families | \$6,665,726 |
| 20 East Franklin | Osprey Property Company, LLC/The Women's Housing Coalition | Baltimore City | \$1,144,034 | 41 | Families | \$15,275,961 |
| Brinkley Hill Pointe | Episcopal Housing Corp./Conifer, LLC | Prince George's | \$500,000 | 64 | Families | \$25,437,455 |
| CHAI-Fallstaff Apartments | Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc. (CHAI) | Baltimore City | 0 | 16 | Families | \$3,907,122 |
| Orchard Ridge Rental Phase V | Pennrose Properties, LLC/Rellim Development, LLC | Baltimore City | \$1,279,753 | 65 | Families | \$17,936,465 |
| Red Run Station | Enterprise Housing Corp./ Pax-Edwards, LLC | Baltimore | \$981,099 | 72 | Families | \$17,425,880 |
| Riverwoods at Denton (aka County Village) | Osprey Property Company, LLC/Delmarva Community Services, Inc. | Caroline | \$1,454,167 | 84 | Families | \$18,992,686 |
| Woodfield Commons | Conifer Realty, LLC/Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County | Montgomery | \$1,401,543 | 84 | Families | \$25,766,915 |
| North Barclay Green, Phase III | Telesis Baltimore Corp. | Baltimore City | \$1,305,468 | 57 | Families | \$16,953,577 |
| The Lodges at Naylor Mill Phase II | Volunteers of America National Services, Inc./ Interfaith Housing Development Corp. | Wicomico | \$837,569 | 45 | Elderly | \$9,943,872 |
| | | | \$10,050,638 | 612 | | \$167,613,443 |

| Non-competitive Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credits Calendar Year 2014 | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Project Name | Sponsor name | County | Tax Credit | LI Units | Occupancy | Total Project Costs |
| Samuel Chase Apartments Bond | Green Street Housing | Somerset | \$232,878 | 60 | Families | \$7,959,418 |
| Old Towne Manor | National Housing Development Partners | Allegany | \$310,545 | 138 | Families | \$13,088,449 |
| Silver Spring Library Residences | Montgomery Housing Partnership, Inc. | Montgomery | \$1,159,804 | 149 | Elderly | \$44,825,722 |
| Windsor Valley I and II | Windsor Developers, LLC. | Harford | \$891,526 | 291 | Families | \$38,762,721 |
| Fairbrooke Senior Apartments | Osprey Property Company LLC | Harford | \$367,539 | 122 | Elderly | \$13,922,854 |
| Park View at Ellicott City I | Shelter Development | Howard | \$204,198 | 81 | Elderly | \$7,991,865 |
| Marlborough Revitalization 2013 | Cambridge Housing Partners | Baltimore City | \$1,762,851 | 227 | Elderly | \$54,323,312 |
| Taney Village Apartments | Enterprise Housing Corporation | Frederick | \$717,615 | 130 | Elderly | \$24,616,482 |
| Bon Secours Benet House | Unity Properties, Inc. | Baltimore City | \$374,241 | 101 | Elderly | \$13,352,768 |
| Park View at Laurel II | Shelter Development | Prince George's | \$256,354 | 105 | Elderly | \$9,970,901 |
| Timbercroft Apartments | Timbercroft Housing Developers LLC | Baltimore | \$1,299,955 | 284 | Families | \$83,493,432 |
| Memorial Apartments | Somerset Development Company | Baltimore City | \$1,765,478 | 266 | Elderly | \$53,841,543 |
| Alcott Place | Pax-Edwards LLC | Baltimore City | \$244,193 | 51 | Elderly | \$7,960,587 |
| Locust House Apartments | Enterprise Homes | Carroll | \$376,895 | 98 | Elderly | \$14,801,177 |
| TOTAL | | | \$9,964,072 | 1,654 | | \$388,911,231 |

DOE and State Funding for Energy Efficiency

The following chart lists the Multifamily rental housing project that received EmPOWER-MEEHA only funding in SFY 2015 to improve energy efficiency (other developments also received funding for energy efficiency, but are not reported here in order to prevent double counting of units):

| MF PROJECTS WITH EMPOWER ONLY FUNDING July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|-----------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------|
| PROJECT NAME | COUNTY LOCATION | UNITS | OCCUPANCY | FINANCING |
| Highlandtown Coop Apartments | Baltimore City | 74 | Family | \$78,353 |
| Bowleys Lane | Baltimore City | 78 | Elderly | \$108,558 |
| Chapline House | Calvert | 60 | Elderly | \$8,663 |
| Chapline House II | Calvert | 30 | Elderly | \$22,463 |
| Village House | Carroll | 54 | Elderly | \$4,260 |
| Glen Forest | Anne Arundel | 100 | Elderly | \$63,923 |
| Glenburn House | Dorchester | 24 | Family | \$117,149 |
| Terrace Garden Coop | Baltimore City | 88 | Elderly | \$115,568 |
| Langley Gardens | Prince George's | 204 | Family | \$1,279,528 |
| Rollingcrest Commons | Prince George's | 140 | Elderly | \$589,158 |
| Golden Ring | Baltimore | 154 | Elderly | \$134,037 |
| Meade Village | Anne Arundel | 200 | Family | \$506,153 |
| Stoney Hill | Anne Arundel | 55 | Elderly | \$121,170 |
| Orchard Mew | Baltimore City | 101 | Family | \$775,477 |
| TOTAL | | 1,362 | | \$3,924,460 |

WEATHERIZATION FUNDS

The Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP), funded primarily through the U.S. Department of Energy, helps eligible low-income households through the installation of energy conservation materials in their dwelling units. These measures both reduce the consumption of energy and the cost of maintenance for these homes. Priority is given to homeowners who may be elderly, disabled, families with children, and/or have the highest energy consumption. Eligible renters may apply and will be given due consideration in accordance with WAP's Rental Property Investment Program. Federal regulations limit the amount of WAP service each dwelling unit can receive. The table below shows weatherization activities undertaken by DHCD with DOE weatherization funds from the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. The weatherization funds are often leveraged with other funds, including Maryland

Energy Assistance Program (MEAP) funds from the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Strategic Energy Investment Funds (SEIF)/Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) funds as shown in the right hand column.

| U.S. Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program (DOE WAP) Funds July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | |
|---|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| County | Number of Units | DOE WAP Amount | Leveraged Amount |
| Allegany | 10 | \$46,278 | \$3,808 |
| Anne Arundel | 37 | \$240,239 | \$9,940 |
| Baltimore City | 337 | \$1,381,304 | \$0 |
| Baltimore County | 77 | \$386,636 | \$6,370 |
| Calvert | 5 | \$32,190 | \$4,450 |
| Caroline | 2 | \$12,446 | \$858 |
| Carroll | 7 | \$37,997 | \$0 |
| Cecil | 9 | \$67,334 | \$0 |
| Charles | 9 | \$49,671 | \$0 |
| Dorchester | 7 | \$42,070 | \$1,058 |
| Frederick | 31 | \$140,503 | \$10,535 |
| Garrett | 12 | \$65,943 | \$7,832 |
| Harford | 38 | \$194,939 | \$10,985 |
| Howard | 25 | \$99,497 | \$0 |
| Kent | 1 | \$6,143 | \$0 |
| Montgomery | 11 | \$52,439 | \$0 |
| Prince George's | 57 | \$356,455 | \$6,220 |
| Queen Anne's | 3 | \$29,343 | \$0 |
| Saint Mary's | 2 | \$12,063 | \$0 |

| U.S. Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program (DOE WAP) Funds July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| County | Number of Units | DOE WAP Amount | Leveraged Amount |
| Somerset | 5 | \$27,411 | \$0 |
| Talbot | 5 | \$45,223 | \$0 |
| Washington | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Wicomico | 11 | \$105,131 | \$0 |
| Worcester | 5 | \$38,538 | \$0 |
| TOTAL | 706 | \$3,469,794 | \$62,056 |

Ratepayer funding received by DHCD through the EmPOWER Energy Efficiency Act is utilized in largely the same way as funding through DOE WAP, with the exceptions being that funds can only be used for customers of the five participating EmPOWER utilities (and not Statewide), and funds are restricted to households that are either electrically heated or electrically cooled, or gas heat customers within the BGE service territory. DHCD also uses MEAP and SEIF funds to leverage EmPOWER Low Income Energy Efficiency Program activities.

As noted earlier, DHCD received \$28 million in funding through the Customer Investment Fund (CIF), which was established through the Constellation Exelon merger settlement. \$9 million of the \$28 million award is provided to improve the energy efficiency of affordable multifamily rental properties. The remaining \$19 million is provided to weatherize homes of low income customers within the BGE service territory that have been previously deferred or would be deferred from weatherization work due to structural issues or health and safety issues in their homes that cannot be remedied through existing weatherization programs (including DOE WAP, EmPOWER LIEEP and other leveraged funding sources). Funding will be used to provide energy efficiency improvements for eligible households and will address the health and safety issues (structural issues, lead, mold or mildew abatement, etc.) to the greatest extent possible,

SECTION 8 PROGRAMS

The Housing Choice Voucher Program is the federal government's major program for assisting low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) serves as the regional Public Housing agency and administers the Section 8 program in many of the State's smaller jurisdictions on the Eastern Shore and Western Maryland.

| SECTION 8 – HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | |
|--|--------------|---------------------|
| County | Units | Financing |
| Allegany | 542 | \$2,619,273 |
| Anne Arundel | 1 | \$13,613 |
| Baltimore City | 15 | \$146,088 |
| Caroline | 120 | \$795,448 |
| Dorchester | 241 | \$1,710,477 |
| Frederick | 418 | \$5,085,296 |
| Garrett | 155 | \$611,850 |
| Howard | 10 | \$116,803 |
| Kent | 41 | \$253,408 |
| Montgomery | 5 | \$85,353 |
| Prince Georges | 2 | \$4,206 |
| Somerset | 71 | \$421,780 |
| Talbot | 74 | \$661,667 |
| Wicomico | 392 | \$2,623,355 |
| Worcester | 136 | \$977,586 |
| TOTAL | 2,223 | \$16,126,203 |

The Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Program also provides rental assistance that subsidizes the rent of lower-income families. However, unlike the Housing Choice Voucher Program, assistance under the Moderate Rehabilitation Program is restricted to housing rehabilitated with financing under the Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Program.

| SECTION 8 – MODERATE REHABILITATION July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| County | Units | Financing |
| Allegany County | 4 | \$15,566 |
| Baltimore City | 1 | \$2,025 |
| Frederick County | 20 | \$139,790 |
| Garrett County | 33 | \$169,873 |
| TOTAL | 58 | \$327,254 |

STATE FUNDED HOUSING ACTIVITIES

HOMEOWNERSHIP

The State's Homeownership Programs made a total of 2,348 MMP homeownership loans during the reporting period. Loans were made for home mortgages as well as down payment and closing cost assistance. Loans made under the Maryland Mortgage Program, Maryland Home Financing Program (MHFP), and Homeownership for Individuals with Disabilities program where for home mortgages. The Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program was used to help buyers with their down payment and closing costs. The Maryland Mortgage Program (MMP) is the State's largest homeownership program. Funding for the program comes through the issuance of tax-exempt bonds and through Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS).

| Maryland Mortgage Program July 1,2014 - June 30,2015 | | |
|---|--------------|------------------|
| County | Loans | Financing |
| Allegany | 2 | \$131,473 |
| Anne Arundel | 201 | \$43,656,625 |
| Baltimore City | 371 | \$52,981,513 |
| Baltimore County | 315 | \$53,211,331 |
| Calvert | 29 | \$6,707,626 |
| Caroline | 16 | \$1,936,449 |
| Carroll | 18 | \$4,082,221 |
| Cecil | 19 | \$3,378,310 |
| Charles | 136 | \$29,795,136 |
| Dorchester | 5 | \$673,812 |
| Frederick | 96 | \$19,138,864 |
| Garrett | 3 | \$329,472 |
| Harford | 125 | \$22,048,381 |
| Howard | 42 | \$9,767,372 |
| Kent | 16 | \$2,177,885 |

| Maryland Mortgage Program July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | |
|---|--------------|----------------------|
| County | Loans | Financing |
| Montgomery | 90 | \$21,089,701 |
| Prince George's | 607 | \$132,505,400 |
| Queen Anne's | 13 | \$2,349,914 |
| Saint Mary's | 63 | \$13,717,322 |
| Somerset | 10 | \$1,325,717 |
| Talbot | 11 | \$1,692,783 |
| Washington | 76 | \$10,360,540 |
| Wicomico | 70 | \$9,068,597 |
| Worcester | 14 | \$2,054,602 |
| TOTAL | 2,348 | \$444,181,046 |

The Homeownership for Individuals with Disabilities Program (HIDP) is a set-aside within the MHFP program. Homeownership loans are made to individuals with disabilities or families with a disabled child or a guardian of a disabled person who are otherwise unable to obtain mortgages due to lack of credit history or for other reasons related to their disability status. Funding for this program is made available through State appropriations blended with funds from tax-exempt bonds. Loans under this program have fixed interest rates based on the borrower's ability to repay with a 30-year term.

| HOMEOWNERSHIP FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015 | | |
|---|-----------|--------------------|
| County | Loans | Financing |
| Anne Arundel | 4 | \$734,491 |
| Baltimore City | 5 | \$598,532 |
| Baltimore | 2 | \$447,089 |
| Prince George's | 3 | \$388,597 |
| Saint Mary's | 2 | \$441,365 |
| Talbot | 1 | \$253,786 |
| TOTAL | 17 | \$2,863,860 |

The Down Payment Assistance (DPA) Program provides 0% deferred second mortgage loans to eligible homebuyers to help cover settlement expenses not covered by the first mortgage loan, which must be an MMP Loan. The DPA Program assists those borrowers who may not have sufficient assets to cover the payment of settlement expenses and any down payment required for the mortgage, as prescribed by the insurer/guarantor. The House Keys 4 Employees (HK4E) Program, Builder/Developer Incentive Program (BDIP) and the Community Partners Incentive Program (CPIP) are partner match programs that use DPA Program funds to match up to \$2,500 in contributions made by one of the participating partners and are provided in the form of a 0% deferred loan. Smart Keys 4 Employees (SK4E) Program, a Smart Growth enhancement to the HK4E Program, which allows borrowers to receive additional matching funds from DHCD if the property the borrower is purchasing is located in a Priority Funding Area and the property is within 10 miles of the borrower's place of employment or within the boundaries of the local jurisdiction (county), provides an "across the board bonus" of \$1,000 for borrowers that meet the criteria for the SK4E Program.

| Down Payment Assistance Program July 1,2014 - June 30,2015 | | |
|---|-------|-------------|
| County | Loans | Financing |
| Allegany | 2 | \$10,000 |
| Anne Arundel | 184 | \$952,150 |
| Baltimore City | 366 | \$2,145,138 |
| Baltimore County | 289 | \$1,553,000 |
| Calvert | 28 | \$146,000 |
| Caroline | 15 | \$75,000 |
| Carroll | 18 | \$97,500 |
| Cecil | 19 | \$100,000 |
| Charles | 126 | \$697,500 |
| Dorchester | 5 | \$25,000 |
| Frederick | 93 | \$508,500 |
| Garrett | 3 | \$20,000 |
| Harford | 113 | \$603,500 |
| Howard | 40 | \$208,500 |
| Kent | 15 | \$83,800 |

| Down Payment Assistance Program July 1,2014 - June 30,2015 | | |
|---|--------------|---------------------|
| County | Loans | Financing |
| Montgomery | 89 | \$450,889 |
| Prince George's | 581 | \$4,551,500 |
| Queen Anne's | 12 | \$60,000 |
| Saint Mary's | 59 | \$334,000 |
| Somerset | 9 | \$51,000 |
| Talbot | 11 | \$60,000 |
| Washington | 76 | \$403,600 |
| Wicomico | 66 | \$339,188 |
| Worcester | 14 | \$70,500 |
| TOTAL | 2,233 | \$13,546,265 |

As noted above, both the HIDP and DPA Program are set-asides under the Maryland Home Financing Program (MHFP). MHFP sometimes makes direct first mortgage loans to borrowers outside of these programs; however, no direct MHFP loans were made this year during the reporting period.

SPECIAL LOANS

The Special Loans programs provide loans for both the rehabilitation of single family properties, as well as for the provision of group homes for persons with disabilities. The rehabilitation loan programs include Maryland Housing Rehabilitation Program (MHRP) loans, Accessible Homes for Seniors Program (AHSP) and Indoor Plumbing Program (IPP) Loans, as well as Lead Paint Abatement loans and grants addressed elsewhere in this report.

The **Group Home Financing Program (GHFP)** and the **Special Housing Opportunities Program (SHOP)** work in partnership with the Maryland Department of Aging, as well as the Mental Hygiene Administration and Developmental Disabilities Administration of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide safe, decent affordable housing to some of the State's most vulnerable citizens. GHFP loans are financed with State appropriations, SHOP loans are financed through bond funding. Both sources of funding may be used in the same project. The table below shows non-duplicative homes and beds financed in the past year for these programs:

| GHFP AND SHOP PROGRAMS July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
|--|--------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------|
| County | # GHFP Loans | GHFP Amount | # SHOP Loans | SHOP Amount | # of beds |
| Baltimore County | 1 | \$119,546 | 1 | \$86,660 | 4 |
| Prince George's County | 1 | \$246,799 | 1 | \$114,275 | 4 |
| TOTAL | 2 | \$366,345 | 2 | \$200,875 | 8 |

The purpose of the **Maryland Housing Rehabilitation Program** is to preserve and improve single family properties and one-to-four unit rental properties. The table below shows homes rehabilitated under the MHRP-SF program during the reporting period, including the set-aside for the Accessible Homes for Seniors program.

| MARYLAND HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015 | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|--------------------|
| Jurisdiction | Loans | Units | Amount |
| Anne Arundel County | 15 | 15 | \$581,660 |
| Baltimore City | 6 | 6 | \$259,734 |
| Baltimore County | 4 | 4 | \$159,345 |
| Calvert County | 1 | 1 | \$152,335 |
| Charles County | 3 | 3 | \$157,210 |
| Dorchester County | 1 | 1 | \$49,000 |
| Frederick County | 3 | 3 | \$67,807 |
| Garrett County | 2 | 2 | \$44,406 |
| Howard County | 2 | 2 | \$68,835 |
| Prince George's County | 8 | 8 | \$247,055 |
| Saint Mary's County | 1 | 1 | \$24,000 |
| Somerset County | 6 | 6 | \$114,976 |
| Talbot County | 1 | 1 | \$15,000 |
| Washington County | 1 | 1 | \$43,976 |
| Wicomico County | 2 | 2 | \$48,135 |
| Total | 56 | 56 | \$2,033,474 |

The purpose of the **Indoor Plumbing Program (IPP)** is to provide indoor plumbing in residential properties or connection to public water and/or sewer facilities. Loans may be made for single-family, owner-occupied houses and rental properties with one to 100 units, which do not have indoor plumbing. Properties must be structurally sound.

| INDOOR PLUMBING PROGRAM JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015 | | | |
|---|----------|----------|-----------------|
| Jurisdiction | Loans | Units | Amount |
| Anne Arundel County | 1 | 1 | \$27,000 |
| Charles County | 1 | 1 | \$15,139 |
| Montgomery County | 1 | 1 | \$4,705 |
| Somerset County | 1 | 1 | \$21,941 |
| Total | 4 | 4 | \$68,985 |

NOTE: The Special Loans Programs also finance lead paint hazard control activities. Those activities are discussed elsewhere in the APR in accordance with HUD regulations.

RENTAL HOUSING

DHCD produces rental housing through the use of numerous resources. In addition to operating the Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program and other federal sources to finance affordable rental housing, the Department also runs numerous State-funded programs for this purpose.

- Under the MF-Bond program, DHCD issues tax-exempt and taxable mortgage revenue bonds to finance the acquisition, rehabilitation or construction of affordable multifamily rental housing in priority funding areas.
- The Partnership Program provides loans of up to \$75,000 per unit or the actual cost of the project (less the cost of the land) not to exceed \$2 million for small projects. Rental housing must be occupied by households with incomes below 50% of the statewide median. Local governments must provide the site and any necessary off-site improvements. State funds may be used for the development costs of building acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of buildings on site. Under a revision to the program during FY07, partnership funds may also now be used to finance rental units to disabled households in properties owned by non-governmental entities.
- The Rental Housing Fund, which includes the Rental Housing Production and Elderly Rental Housing Programs, provides loans of up to \$2.0 million for the development of affordable multi-family housing in priority funding areas. Funds are awarded competitively on a semi-annual basis in conjunction with federal low-income housing tax credits and HOME funds.
- RHW was passed by the State legislature to create jobs and strengthen the Maryland economy by providing gap financing for the creation and preservation of affordable rental housing financed through DHCD's Multifamily Bond Program and Low

Income Housing Tax Credit Program. RHW is funded at \$24 million for FY 2014, \$20 million for FY 2015 and \$20 million for FY 2016.

DHCD financed 2,037 units of rental housing using State and Bond funds during the reporting period. These projects utilized \$123,503,574 in State and Bond financing. Three of the twelve Bond projects were FHA Risk Shared projects that totaled \$19,545,000. Note that this does not include the project funded under the Transitional Housing Grant Program which is discussed below.

| STATE FUNDED RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|
| July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
| Program | Project | Location | Units | Occupancy | Financing |
| PHRP HOME | Cannon St. Apts & Satterfield Court | Kent | 22 | Elderly | \$1,240,000 \$650,000 |
| MBP-TE HOME | Samuel Chase Apartments Bond | Somerset | 60 | Families | \$2,390,000 \$985,000 |
| RHF | Chapel Springs Senior Apartments | Baltimore | 127 | Elderly | \$285,853 |
| RHF | The Residences at Woodland Springs | Prince George's | 36 | Families | \$2,000,000 |
| MBP-TE HOME | Old Towne Manor | Allegany | 138 | Families | \$6,922,000 \$2,500,000 |
| RHW | Silver Spring Library Residences | Montgomery | 149 | Elderly | \$3,583,340 |
| RHF | Mary Harvin Center | Baltimore City | 61 | Elderly | \$950,000 |
| RHW | Windsor Valley I and II | Harford | 291 | Families | \$2,000,000 |
| MBP-TE RHW | Fairbrooke Senior Apartments | Harford | 122 | Elderly | \$6,525,000 \$1,547,831 |
| MBP-TE RHW | Park View at Ellicott City I | Howard | 81 | Elderly | \$3,535,000 \$772,000 |
| MBP-TE | Marlborough Revitalization 2013 | Baltimore City | 227 | Elderly | \$25,090,000 |
| PRHP HOME | Taney Village Apartments | Frederick | 130 | Elderly | \$975,000 \$2,448,430 |
| RHF PRHP | Obery Court/College Creek Phase III | Anne Arundel | 61 | Families | \$2,000,000 \$1,225,000 |
| RHF | Cannery Village | Worcester | 44 | Families | \$1,979,000 |
| RHW | Conifer Village at Oakcrest | Prince George's | 120 | Elderly | \$2,500,000 |

| STATE FUNDED RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|---|
| July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
| Program | Project | Location | Units | Occupancy | Financing |
| RHF | Bon Secours Gibbons Apartments | Baltimore | 80 | Elderly | \$500,000 |
| RHF | Mulberry at Park | Baltimore City | 68 | Families | \$1,484,000 |
| MBP-TE RHW | Cottages at River House Phase IV | 69 | Elderly | Elderly | \$1,990,000 \$2,483,067 |
| MBP-TE RHW PRHP | Windsor Gardens | Frederick | 59 | Families | \$4,330,000 \$2,340,000 \$450,000 |
| RHF | Berger Square | Anne Arundel | 48 | Families | \$1,700,000 |
| MBP-TE RHW | Victoria Estates | Worcester | 100 | Families | \$1,670,000 \$2,500,000 |
| HOME | The Meadows | Garrett | 90 | Elderly | \$2,000,000 |
| TOTAL | | | 2,150 | | \$93,550,521 |

In addition to the above projects, the Rental Housing Programs also operate the Shelter and Transitional Housing Grant Program. This program provides grants to construct emergency shelters and/or transitional housing for the homeless. During the past year, this program financed one project listed below: (One other project has been approved by DHCD but will close in FY 2014 and be reported next year)

| SHELTER AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM | | | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
| Applicant | Project Name | County | Units | Grant Amount | Total Project Cost |
| St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore | Sarah's Hope | Baltimore City | 138 | \$1,500,000 | \$7,111,909 |
| Episcopal Housing Corporation | Prospect Place | Baltimore | 12 | \$655,528 | \$2,874,350 |
| TOTAL | | | 150 | \$2,155,528 | \$9,986,259 |

TENANT ASSISTANCE

The purpose of the Rental Allowance Program (RAP) is to provide grants to local governments to provide flat rent subsidies to extremely low-income families on a short term basis. The table below shows the number of households assisted during the reporting period:

| RENTAL ALLOWANCE PROGRAM | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015 | | |
| County | Households | Financing |
| Allegany County | 19 | \$40,000 |
| Annapolis, City of | 9 | 25,895 |
| Anne Arundel | 10 | \$69,736 |
| Baltimore City | 100 | \$307,076 |
| Baltimore County | 70 | 139,364 |
| Calvert County | 12 | \$40,000 |
| Caroline County | 10 | \$40,000 |
| Carroll County | 13 | \$40,000 |
| Cecil County | 8 | \$40,000 |
| Charles County | 12 | \$40,000 |
| Dorchester County | 15 | \$40,000 |
| Frederick County | 19 | \$40,000 |
| Garrett County | 25 | \$40,000 |
| Harford County | 17 | \$40,000 |
| Howard County | 11 | \$40,000 |
| Kent County* | 18 | \$40,000 |
| Montgomery County | 37 | \$186,130 |
| Prince George's County | 37 | \$199,799 |
| Queen Anne's County | 14 | \$40,000 |
| Somerset County | 18 | \$40,000 |
| St. Mary's County | 22 | \$40,000 |
| Talbot County | 24 | \$40,000 |
| Washington County | 18 | \$40,000 |
| Wicomico County | 17 | \$40,000 |

| RENTAL ALLOWANCE PROGRAM JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015 | | |
|--|------------|--------------------|
| County | Households | Financing |
| Worcester County | 22 | \$40,000 |
| Total | 577 | \$1,700,000 |

MARYLAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST

The Maryland Affordable Housing Trust (MAHT) is staffed by DHCD and is funded by a portion of the interest earned on trust accounts held by Title Insurers or Title Insurance Agents. MAHT funds can be used for acquisition, rehabilitation or new construction of affordable housing, operating expenses for specific affordable housing developments, capacity building, and providing project-specific supportive services to families and individuals. During the reporting period, MAHT made the following awards:

| MARYLAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
|---|----------------|---|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| Name of Organization | County | Name of Project | Financing | Total Project Cost | Units |
| 1209 Rose, LLC. | Baltimore City | Weinberg Building at Sage Center | \$50,000 | \$6,803,769 | 23 |
| A Step Forward, Inc. | Baltimore City | A Step Forward | \$22,500 | \$324,240 | 59 |
| Affiliated Sante Group | Montgomery | Supportive Housing Program | \$28,000 | \$64,675 | 3 |
| Arundel House of Hope | Anne Arundel | Homeless Family Housing Project | \$35,000 | \$133,000 | - |
| Bello Machre | Anne Arundel | Bello Machre Expansion Shelter in Place | \$30,000 | \$757,150 | 24 |
| Caroline County Habitat for Humanity | Caroline | Together We Stand | \$15,000 | \$163,198 | 14 |
| Civics Works, Inc. | Baltimore City | Critical Energy Efficiency | \$20,000 | \$264,000 | 33 |
| Community Living Inc. | Frederick | Sherman Avenue Rehab | \$33,500 | \$37,500 | 1 |

| MARYLAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--|------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Name of Organization | County | Name of Project | Financing | Total Project Cost | Units |
| Compass Inc. | Montgomery | Rehabilitation and Accessibility Improvements to Group Homes | \$40,000 | \$105,862 | 16 |
| EHM Harwood | Baltimore City | EHM@Harwood | \$50,000 | \$510,862 | 2 |
| Elkton Housing Authority | Cecil | Living to Leaving a Legacy | \$60,000 | \$71,000 | 150 |
| Frederick Community Action Agency | Frederick County | FCAA Housing Rehabilitation Program | \$35,750 | \$695,000 | 160 |
| Garrett County Community Agency Committee, Inc. | Garrett County | Mystic Mountain Group Work Camp | \$30,000 | \$254,000 | 68 |
| Gaudenzia Foundation, Inc. | Baltimore City | 4615 Park Heights Avenue | \$50,000 | \$3,200,000 | 120 |
| Habitat for Humanity of the Chesapeake | Anne Arundel County | McCabe Avenue Revitalization | \$40,000 | \$1,360,000 | 8 |
| Habitat for Humanity Washington County | Washington County | 2015 New Builds | \$10,000 | \$240,000 | 3 |
| Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna, Inc. | Harford/Cecil | 2015 Builds & Rehab | \$30,000 | \$1,382,451 | 9 |
| Havre de Grave Housing Authority | Harford County | Capacity Building | \$54,000 | \$396,000 | 60 |
| Homes for America, Inc. | Harford County | Corner House | \$21,142 | \$40,762 | 20 |
| Main Street Housing, Inc. | Baltimore City | Baltimore City Housing Initiative | \$50,000 | \$330,000 | 4 |

| MARYLAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|---|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| Name of Organization | County | Name of Project | Financing | Total Project Cost | Units |
| National Capital B'Nai B'rith Assisted Housing Corporation | Baltimore City | Edwards Building Rehab | \$50,000 | \$127,000 | 38 |
| Oliver Economic Development Corp, (OEDC) | Baltimore City | Oliver Plaza | \$27,250 | \$103,058 | 45 |
| Rebuilding Together Baltimore | Baltimore County | Critical Repairs | \$40,000 | \$438,827 | - |
| Rebuilding Together Howard County | Howard County | Rebuilding Day 2015 | \$30,000 | \$772,500 | 62 |
| Rebuilding Together Kent | Kent | Kent County Rehabilitation | \$10,000 | \$22,000 | 6 |
| Rebuilding Together Montgomery County | Montgomery County | Critical Needs Program | \$35,000 | \$157,500 | 7 |
| Seed 4 Success | Anne Arundel | Eastport Girls Club/ Parent Challenge / I am Reader | \$30,000 | \$250,120 | 38 |
| St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center, Inc. | Baltimore City | EmPower Union Avenue | \$50,000 | \$441,000 | 54 |
| Supported Living Inc. Columbia Housing Corporation | Howard | Red Lake Court | \$40,000 | \$261,995 | 3 |
| The Arc of Carroll County, Inc. | Carroll | Alternative Living Units Rehab Project | \$10,235 | \$11,372 | - |

| MARYLAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Name of Organization | County | Name of Project | Financing | Total Project Cost | Units |
| The Light House, Inc. | Anne Arundel County | 306 West Supportive Housing and Social Enterprise Project | \$50,000 | \$1,412,624 | 4 |
| The Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs in Frederick County | Frederick County | Religious Coalition Homeless Family Shelter | \$50,000 | \$156,000 | - |
| Village of Hope Inc. | Baltimore City | Village of Hope Building Improvements | \$34,700 | \$163,000 | 9 |
| Women's Housing Coalition, Inc. | Baltimore City | Calverton Brick Reopening | \$75,000 | \$122,000 | - |
| TOTAL | | | \$1,237,447 | \$21,572,465 | 1043 |

MARYLAND HOMEOWNERS PRESERVING EQUITY

The Maryland Homeowners Preserving Equity initiative Maryland HOPE is a comprehensive approach to foreclosure prevention with four major components: 1) Public outreach and education; 2) Financial resources; 3) Legislative reform, 4) Servicer standard setting.

As Maryland's Housing Finance Agency, DHCD has taken the lead in implementing the first two components and has partnered closely with Maryland's Bank regulator on the second two. In terms of public outreach and education, DHCD provides funding to housing counseling agencies to assist families facing foreclosure. DHCD provided funding to the following agencies during the last fiscal year:

| Housing Counseling Funding July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | |
|--|----------------|
| Agency Name | Funding |
| Allegany Human Resources Development Commission, Inc. | \$51,361 |
| Allegany Law Foundation, Inc. | \$65,000 |
| Anne Arundel Community Action Agency | \$82,385 |
| Arundel Community Development Services, Inc. | \$40,000 |
| Asian American Homeownership Counseling, Inc. | \$42,000 |
| Belair Edison Neighborhoods, Inc. | \$72,750 |
| Cecil County Housing Agency | \$43,144 |
| Centro de Apoyo Familiar | \$75,000 |
| Civil Justice, Inc. | \$351,753 |
| Community Legal Service of Prince George's County, Inc. | \$215,000 |
| Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc. | \$60,000 |
| Consumer Credit Counseling Service of MD & DE, Inc. | \$174,000 |
| Delmarva Community Services, Inc. | \$60,000 |
| Diversified Housing Development, Inc. | \$102,300 |
| Druid Heights Community Development Corp. | \$63,939 |
| Eastside Community Development Corporation, Inc. | \$75,000 |
| Frederick Community Action Agency/City of Frederick | \$143,432 |
| Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc. | \$25,000 |
| Garwyn Oaks Northwest Housing Resource Center | \$90,000 |
| Greater Washington Urban League | \$33,333 |
| Hagerstown Neighborhood Development Partnership, Inc. | \$40,000 |
| Home Partnership, Inc. | \$40,300 |
| HomeFree-USA | \$200,000 |
| Housing Counseling Services | \$83,334 |

| Housing Counseling Funding July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | |
|--|----------------|
| Agency Name | Funding |
| Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc | \$194,000 |
| Housing Options & Planning Enterprises, Inc. | \$50,000 |
| Job Opportunities Task Force | \$75,000 |
| Kairos Community Development Corp. | \$75,000 |
| Latino Economic Development Corporation | \$100,000 |
| Lydia's House in Southeast | \$50,000 |
| Maryland Consumer Rights Coalition | \$53,000 |
| Maryland Legal Aid Bureau | \$928,972 |
| Maryland Rural Development Corp. | \$45,000 |
| Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service | \$266,331 |
| Mid-Shore Pro Bono, Inc. | \$110,000 |
| Neighborhood Housing Services of Baltimore, Inc. | \$78,246 |
| Park Heights Renaissance, Inc. | \$76,666 |
| Pro Bono Resource Center, Inc. | \$148,000 |
| Public Justice Center, Inc. | \$165,000 |
| Salisbury Neighborhood Housing Service | \$35,000 |
| Shore-Up! | \$50,000 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | \$147,500 |
| Southern Maryland Tri-County Community Action Committee, Inc. | \$120,000 |
| Sowing Empowerment & Economic Development, Inc. | \$140,000 |
| Springboard Nonprofit Consumer Credit Management, Inc. | \$20,000 |
| St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center (Legal) | \$194,500 |
| St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center, Inc. (Housing Counseling) | \$105,000 |
| United Communities Against Poverty | \$106,666 |
| Unity Economic Development Corporation | \$100,000 |

| Housing Counseling Funding July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | |
|--|--------------------|
| Agency Name | Funding |
| Washington County Community Action Council, Inc. | \$20,000 |
| Garden State Consumer Credit Counseling, Inc. | \$15,000 |
| TOTALS | \$5,697,912 |

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION

In addition to State-funded housing efforts, the State also operates numerous State funded programs that support community revitalization efforts. These programs include the Community Legacy Program, Community Investment Tax Credit Program, Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund, Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative, and Neighborhood BusinessWorks programs, among others.

COMMUNITY LEGACY PROGRAM

Community Legacy provides local governments and community development organizations with funding for essential projects aimed at strengthening communities through activities such as business retention and attraction, encouraging homeownership and commercial revitalization. Funding, in the form of grants and loans, is available for projects located in Sustainable Community Areas and is meant to compliment and supplement other State funding programs. As part of a competitive application process, communities are required to have and/or develop a comprehensive revitalization plan that specifically identifies projects meant to revitalize transitional areas. The table below shows Community Legacy awards from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

| Community Legacy Program July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|--|-----------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| City of Frostburg | Allegany County | Façade Improvement Program | \$25,000 | \$52,000 |
| City of Frostburg | Allegany County | Frostburg Museum Building Reuse | \$50,000 | \$70,000 |

| Community Legacy Program July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|--|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| City of Frostburg | Allegany County | Upper Story Redevelopment | \$75,000 | \$155,000 |
| Mayor and City Council of Cumberland, Maryland | Allegany County | Façade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$105,000 |
| Arundel Community Development Services, Inc. | Anne Arundel County | Brooklyn Park Acquisition and Rehabilitation Program | \$200,000 | \$515,000 |
| Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts | Baltimore City | Bromo Seltzer Tower Exterior Rehabilitation | \$150,000 | \$723,000 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership, Inc. | Baltimore City | Barclay Park | \$50,000 | \$1,620,200 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership, Inc. | Baltimore City | Greenmount De/Construction Jobs Center | \$55,000 | \$225,000 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership, Inc. | Baltimore City | North Avenue Arts | \$100,000 | \$3,300,000 |
| City of Baltimore Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Baltimore Main Street Façade Program | \$100,000 | \$215,000 |
| Coppin Heights Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Coppin Heights Urban Revitalization Project | \$150,000 | \$450,000 |
| Downtown Partnership of Baltimore, Inc. | Baltimore City | Façade Improvement Program | \$100,000 | \$208,500 |
| Govans Ecumenical Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Village Center at Stadium Place | \$100,000 | \$350,000 |
| Govanstowne Business Association on York Road, Inc. | Baltimore City | York Corridor Zipper Gateway | \$40,000 | \$40,000 |

| Community Legacy Program July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| Historic East Baltimore Community Action Coalition, Inc. | Baltimore City | St. Katherine's Family Recovery Center | \$100,000 | \$2,450,000 |
| Housing Authority of Baltimore City | Baltimore City | Redevelopment of Scattered Site Public Housing Units | \$100,000 | \$227,977 |
| Jubilee Baltimore, Inc. | Baltimore City | Impact Hub at The Centre | \$126,000 | \$838,000 |
| Mary Harvin Transformation Center Community Development Corporation, Inc. | Baltimore City | Mary Harvin/Broadway East Community Redevelopment Project | \$200,000 | \$213,000 |
| Neighborhood Housing Services of Baltimore, Inc. | Baltimore City | Façade Program | \$100,000 | \$319,400 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Conkling Commons | \$100,000 | \$362,784 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Highlandtown Placemaking Phase II-CL-2015 | \$100,000 | \$130,000 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Sokol Hall CL 2015 | \$50,000 | \$100,000 |
| TRF Development Partners, Inc. | Baltimore City | Preston Place VIII | \$250,000 | \$1,438,063 |
| Town of North Beach | Calvert County | Flood Protection Improvements | \$150,000 | \$730,758 |
| Town of Denton | Caroline County | Culinary School Phase II | \$200,000 | \$865,000 |
| Town of Federalsburg | Caroline County | Downtown Business Façade Program | \$35,000 | \$72,000 |

| Community Legacy Program July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| City of Westminster | Carroll County | Façade Improvement Program (FIP) | \$50,000 | \$110,000 |
| Town of Manchester | Carroll County | Sidewalks and Accessibility Improvements | \$60,000 | \$74,500 |
| Town of Mount Airy | Carroll County | Downtown Façade Program | \$50,000 | \$100,000 |
| Town of Elkton | Cecil County | Elkton Downtown Façade Grant Program | \$50,000 | \$100,000 |
| County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland | Charles County | Hughesville Tobacco Warehouse Façade Improvements and Plaza | \$200,000 | \$303,814 |
| City of Brunswick | Frederick County | Main Street Façade Program Grant | \$50,000 | \$101,800 |
| The City of Frederick | Frederick County | Façade Improvement Program | \$100,000 | \$200,000 |
| Town of Emmitsburg | Frederick County | Façade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$110,000 |
| Town of Thurmont | Frederick County | Thurmont Historical Society Summer Kitchen | \$9,000 | \$10,960 |
| Garrett County, Maryland, Community Action Committee, Inc. | Garrett County | Friendsville Sidewalk Replacement | \$27,000 | \$27,000 |

| Community Legacy Program July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|------------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| Garrett County, Maryland, Community Action Committee, Inc. | Garrett County | Oakland Façade Improvement Program | \$23,000 | \$46,250 |
| Garrett County, Maryland, Community Action Committee, Inc. | Garrett County | Oakland Streetscape | \$10,000 | \$23,670 |
| Garrett County, Maryland, Community Action Committee, Inc. | Garrett County | Oakland Welcome Signage | \$26,000 | \$28,308 |
| City of Aberdeen | Harford County | Façade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$50,000 |
| City of Havre de Grace | Harford County | Façade Improvement Program | \$35,000 | \$45,000 |
| City of Havre de Grace | Harford County | Opera House Renovation - Completion of Phase I | \$175,000 | \$1,425,000 |
| Harford County, Maryland | Harford County | Edgewood Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative | \$40,000 | \$120,402 |
| Town of Bel Air | Harford County | Armory Marketplace - Phase 4 | \$175,000 | \$221,000 |
| Howard County Government | Howard County | Façade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$105,000 |
| Town of Chestertown | Kent County | Sultana Education Foundation Education Center | \$150,000 | \$2,947,000 |
| City of Takoma Park | Montgomery County | 6450 New Hampshire Avenue | \$100,000 | \$100,000 |
| City of Takoma Park | Montgomery County | Streetscape Improvements - Parkview Towers | \$100,000 | \$180,900 |
| City of Hyattsville | Prince George's County | Commercial Façade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$120,000 |

| Community Legacy Program July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|------------------------|--|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| City of Mount Rainier | Prince George's County | Business Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$148,000 |
| College Park City University Partnership | Prince George's County | Live/Work College Park | \$100,000 | \$162,362 |
| Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County | Prince George's County | Kentland/Palmer Park Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative (TNI) | \$225,000 | \$1,120,000 |
| Town of Bladensburg | Prince George's County | PG Municipal Healthy Homes | \$100,000 | \$860,000 |
| Town of Fairmount Heights | Prince George's County | Historic African American Signage Trail Initiative | \$75,000 | \$92,950 |
| Town of Forest Heights | Prince George's County | Police and Public Works Building | \$190,000 | \$478,871.75 |
| Town of Upper Marlboro | Prince George's County | Façade Improvement Program | \$35,000 | \$106,920 |
| City of Crisfield | Somerset County | Paving and Infrastructure in Commercial and Tourism Districts | \$75,000 | \$76,500 |
| Town of Princess Anne | Somerset County | Downtown Façade Improvement | \$50,000 | \$55,000 |
| Town of Princess Anne | Somerset County | Downtown Street Rehabilitation | \$75,000 | \$80,000 |
| Saint Mary's County Housing Authority | St. Mary's County | Jarboe Family Education Center Playground Resurfacing | \$125,000 | \$169,250 |
| Town of Easton | Talbot County | Façade Improvement Program | \$25,000 | \$28,000 |

| Community Legacy Program July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| Town of Easton | Talbot County | Port Street Sidewalks | \$40,000 | \$40,000 |
| City of Hagerstown | Washington County | Homeownership Program | \$100,000 | \$220,000 |
| City of Hagerstown | Washington County | Rehabilitation Project Continuation: 170 West Washington Street | \$100,000 | \$175,000 |
| City of Salisbury | Wicomico County | Commercial Building Improvement Grants | \$125,000 | \$130,000 |
| City of Pocomoke | Worcester County | Downtown Business Improvement Program | \$25,000 | \$25,000 |
| City of Pocomoke | Worcester County | Historic Costen House Rehabilitation | \$25,000 | \$30,000 |
| Ocean City Development Corporation | Worcester County | Façade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$115,000 |
| Ocean City Development Corporation | Worcester County | St. Louis Avenue - Street Enhancements - Phase III | \$100,000 | \$2,100,000 |
| Town of Snow Hill | Worcester County | Façade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$55,000 |
| Total | | | \$6,126,000 | \$28,594,139.75 |

STRATEGIC DEMOLITION AND SMART GROWTH IMPACT FUND

The Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Project Fund provides grants and loans to counties and municipalities in conjunction with nonprofit organizations and private entities for such predevelopment activity such as demolition and land assembly in order to facilitate housing and revitalization projects. The Fund enables critical proactive steps to attract public and private investment towards the ultimate revival of vacant and underutilized sites. The table below shows the Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Project Fund awards from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

| Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund | | | | |
|---|---------------------|--|----------------|--------------------|
| July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| City of Annapolis | Anne Arundel County | City of Annapolis | \$100,000 | \$100,000 |
| Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis | Anne Arundel County | Newtowne 20 Redevelopment | \$350,000 | \$600,000 |
| Baltimore Department of Housing and Community Development | Baltimore City | Vacants to Value Blight Elimination Initiative | \$2,500,000 | \$2,500,000 |
| Downtown Partnership of Baltimore, Inc. | Baltimore City | McKeldin Plaza - Design and Demolition | \$250,000 | \$798,750 |
| Historic East Baltimore Community Action Coalition, Inc. | Baltimore City | Eager Street V2V Project - Strategic Property Acquisition | \$150,000 | \$195,000 |
| Park Heights Renaissance, Inc | Baltimore City | Loyola Northway Revitalization Plan | \$200,000 | \$398,525 |
| Park Heights Renaissance, Inc | Baltimore City | St. Ambrose School Acquisition | \$300,000 | \$455,748 |
| Parks & People Foundation, Inc. | Baltimore City | Auchentoroly Terrace at Druid Hill Park | \$250,000 | \$11,695,296 |
| TRF Development Partners, Inc. | Baltimore City | Broadway East Revitalization | \$250,000 | \$1,482,975 |
| Baltimore County Government | Baltimore County | Turner Station Revitalization Project - Demolition | \$37,000 | \$37,000 |
| Town of Sykesville | Carroll County | Historic Sykesville Fire House Acquisition and Stabilization | \$200,000 | \$200,000 |
| Town of Elkton | Cecil County | North Street Parking Lot Improvement Project | \$100,000 | \$100,000 |

| Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund | | | | |
|---|------------------------|---|----------------|--------------------|
| July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| City of Cambridge | Dorchester County | Chesapeake Grove Intergenerational Center - Infrastructure | \$100,000 | \$14,150,000 |
| City of Cambridge | Dorchester County | Sailwinds Gateway - Phase 3 | \$325,000 | \$1,100,000 |
| City of Aberdeen | Harford County | Aberdeen Transit Oriented Development - Station Square improvements | \$175,000 | \$180,000 |
| City of Gaithersburg | Montgomery County | Olde Towne Park Plaza | \$100,000 | \$600,000 |
| City of Mount Rainier | Prince George's County | Demolition of Vacant City Properties | \$175,000 | \$936,200 |
| Gateway Community Development Corporation | Prince George's County | Perry Street Townhomes | \$175,000 | \$483,441.11 |
| Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County | Prince George's County | Studio 3807-Predevelopment Phase | \$238,000 | \$1,911,131.25 |
| Revenue Authority of Prince George's County | Prince George's County | Hamilton Street Parking Facility | \$400,000 | \$2,300,000 |
| Town of Brentwood | Prince George's County | Town of Brentwood - Municipal Town Center | \$200,000 | \$410,000 |
| Town of Capitol Heights | Prince George's County | Capitol Heights Metro: Continued Strategic Demolition and Acquisition | \$75,000 | \$100,000 |
| Town of Cottage City | Prince George's County | Cottage City Public Works Facility and Community Tool Shed | \$100,000 | \$317,400 |
| Town of Easton | Talbot County | Housing on the Hill | \$200,000 | \$210,000 |

| Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| PenMar Development Corporation | Washington County | Fort Ritchie Sanitary Sewer Relining | \$100,000 | \$117,844 |
| City of Salisbury | Wicomico County | Daily Times Demolition Project | \$250,000 | \$2,059,950 |
| Ocean City Development Corporation | Worcester County | OCDC Model Block Project | \$200,000 | \$2,024,600 |
| Total | | | \$7,500,000 | \$45,463,860.36 |

BALTIMORE REGIONAL NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE

The Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative (BRNI) aims to demonstrate how strategic investment in local housing and businesses can lead to healthy, sustainable communities with a growing tax base and enhanced quality-of-life. The pilot initiative targeted communities located in Baltimore City and/or the inner Baltimore beltway communities of Anne Arundel and Baltimore Counties where modest investment and a coordinated strategy will have an appreciable neighborhood revitalization impact. The table below shows the Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative awards from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015:

| Baltimore Regional Neighborhoods Initiative JULY 1, 2014 – JUNE 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|----------------|--|----------------|--------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| Central Baltimore Partnership | Baltimore | Barclay Phase 2 Homeownership | \$250,000 | \$3,450,000 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership | Baltimore | CBP General Operating Support | \$250,000 | \$447,500 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership | Baltimore | Charles Street Scenic Byway Facade Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$60,000 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership | Baltimore | Community Spruce-Up Grant Program | \$100,000 | \$200,000 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership | Baltimore City | Maryland Film Festival Parkway Film Center | \$50,000 | \$595,000 |
| Central Baltimore Partnership | Baltimore City | Waverly Commons - Phase Two | \$75,000 | \$6,811,330 |

| Baltimore Regional Neighborhoods Initiative JULY 1, 2014 – JUNE 30, 2015 | | | | |
|---|----------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|
| Awardee | Project County | Project | Amount Awarded | Total Project Cost |
| Dundalk Renaissance Corporation | Baltimore City | Dundalk Commercial Improvement Program | \$50,000 | \$247,365 |
| Dundalk Renaissance Corporation | Baltimore City | Home Buyer Incentive Forgivable Loan Program | \$150,000 | \$180,000 |
| Dundalk Renaissance Corporation | Baltimore City | Operating Support | \$210,000 | \$595,000 |
| Dundalk Renaissance Corporation | Baltimore City | Vibrant Neighborhoods Home Renovation Loans | \$125,000 | \$135,000 |
| Healthy Neighborhoods | Baltimore City | Callow Avenue Redevelopment Project | \$370,000 | \$450,000 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | 219 N. Chester Street - Capital Improvement | \$35,000 | \$41,480 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Center for Grace-Full Living Renewal | \$20,000 | \$22,160 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Community Lot Transformation | \$120,000 | \$125,000 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Eager Street V2V Project | \$100,000 | \$115,000 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Housing Market Stimulus Program | \$345,000 | \$556,430 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Northeast Market Renovation - Phase 2 | \$75,000 | \$80,000 |
| Southeast Community Development Corporation | Baltimore City | Street Trees on East Fayette Street | \$55,000 | \$112,500 |
| Total | | | \$2,430,000 | \$14,223,765 |

INFRASTRUCTURE BOND PROGRAM

During the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 DHCD administered one public bond offering with a total par value of \$40,325,000, and lending bond proceeds to four local governments. These included:

| INFRASTRUCTURE BOND PROGRAM JULY 1, 2014– JUNE 30, 2015 | | | |
|--|-------------|---|--------------|
| Jurisdiction | Bond Series | Project Description | Loan Amount |
| Charlestown | 2014A | Shoreline protection improvements | \$132,203 |
| Cumberland | 2014A | Vehicle, equipment, IT, ambulance, facility, and water and sewer improvements | \$7,520,000 |
| Myersville | 2014A | Street improvements | \$514,940 |
| North East | 2014A | Road way improvements | \$2,018,940 |
| St. Mary's Metropolitan Commission | 2014A | Water and sewer system improvements | \$22,075,230 |
| Taneytown | 2014A | Refinance 2008 bank loan and wastewater treatment plant upgrades | \$7,183,686 |
| | | | \$39,445,000 |

NOTE: IN ADDITION, BOND PROCEEDS TOTALING \$880,000 WERE USED TO FUND A DEBT SERVICE RESERVE FUND.

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESSWORKS PROGRAM

To support the growth and expansion of small businesses in Maryland, the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) initiated the Neighborhood Business Development Program (NBDP) on October 1, 1995. The NBDP, now referred to as the Neighborhood BusinessWorks Program, (NBW) supports both small businesses and non-profit corporations. Small businesses may receive up to \$500,000 or fifty percent of a project's costs, whichever is less. Non-profit corporations also receive grants that are awarded competitively. The NBW program made the following loans and grants during the reporting period:

| NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS WORKS PROGRAM JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015 | | |
|---|---|--------------|
| County | Project | Award Amount |
| Baltimore City | Baltimore Jewelry Center | \$250,000 |
| Baltimore City | Fells Point Creative Alliance Education Annex | \$200,000 |

| NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS WORKS PROGRAM JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015 | | |
|--|--|---------------------|
| County | Project | Award Amount |
| Baltimore City | Neighborhood Housing Services | \$250,000 |
| Baltimore City | North Avenue Arts | \$250,000 |
| Baltimore City | Wide Angle Youth Media | \$88,200 |
| Baltimore City | Snake Hill Grill | \$102,000 |
| Carroll County | Kohn Design & Printing | \$86,000 |
| Anne Arundel County | Anne Arundel Economic Development Corp | \$500,000 |
| Baltimore City | Maryland Capital Enterprises | \$500,000 |
| Baltimore City | Remington Row/Miller's Square | \$750,000 |
| Somerset County | Crabplace.com | \$247,000 |
| Baltimore County | 6400 Frederick Road/Paradise Plaza | \$452,750 |
| Baltimore City | Handlebar Café | \$500,000 |
| Baltimore City | Dreamers | \$91,000 |
| Baltimore City | Baltimore City College Library | \$500,000 |
| Baltimore City | Peabody Heights Brewery | \$500,000 |
| Baltimore City | Tops in Cellular – MD Recovery Loan | \$15,000 |
| Baltimore City | Sneaky Feet – MD Recovery Loan | \$35,000 |
| Baltimore City | Charles Village Plus – MD Recovery Loan | \$15,000 |
| Baltimore City | Frankford Market – MD Recovery Loan | \$35,000 |
| Baltimore City | Poppleton Food Market – MD Recovery Loan | \$35,000 |
| Baltimore City | For Rent Shoes – Maryland Recovery Loan | \$35,000 |
| Baltimore City | Boost Mobile – MD Recovery Loan | \$35,000 |
| TOTAL | | \$5,271,950 |

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT

The Community Investment Tax Credit (CITC) program provides State tax credits to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations for projects located in or serving the residents of a Priority Funding Area. DHCD awards \$1.75 million of CITCs annually through a competitive application round. Nonprofit organizations utilize the tax credits as incentives for individuals and businesses to donate money, goods or real property to support operational and programmatic costs associated with specific, approved projects. Contributions of money, goods or real property worth \$500 or more are eligible for tax credits. Businesses and individuals that donate to qualified organization's approved project(s) can earn tax credits equal to 50% of the value of the money, goods or real property contribution. Any tax credits recaptured by the program are placed in a pool that can be accessed by nonprofit organizations that have exhausted their allocated credits. The following nonprofit organizations were awarded CITC tax credits during the reporting period:

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Adult Day Care of Calvert County | Adult Day Care of Calvert County Improvement Project | Calvert | Operating support for improvements in transportation, office technology, and the care team. | \$15,000 |
| Arts Every Day | Advancing School-Wide Initiatives | Baltimore City | Operating support for Advancing School-Wide Initiatives to provide funding for arts residencies, trips for students and expanded professional development in arts integration for teachers. | \$30,000 |
| Associated Black Charities, Inc. | More in the Middle (MitM) | Baltimore City | Operating support for More in the Middle (MitM) programming that focuses on addressing issues related to workforce and career development, higher education, health disparities, and business and economic development. | \$25,000 |
| B & O Railroad Museum, Inc. | The B&O Railroad Museum's Mile One Express | Baltimore City | Operating support to develop new elements for the museum's Mile One Express rail excursion program and operate this important experiential learning resource for Maryland school groups, heritage tourists, and other guests. | \$25,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Baltimore Clayworks, Inc. | Increasing Tourism, Reach and Neighborhood Business | Baltimore City | Operating support for increased marketing, visibility and access for visitors to Claywork's galleries. | \$50,000 |
| Baltimore Montessori, Inc. | BMPCS Build Our Backyard | Baltimore City | Capital support for the resurfacing of BMPCS' backyard field to provide a safe play area, enhance storm water management features, and increase access and use for neighborhood families. | \$25,000 |
| Baltimore Museum of Industry, Inc. | Development of Exhibit-Aligned Educational Programming | Baltimore City | Operating support to plan and develop educational programming for a new long-term exhibit on video game development. | \$15,000 |
| Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc. | Tenant-Landlord Support and Expansion | Baltimore City | Operating support for counselors to provide guidance on tenant/landlord laws, conduct trainings and outreach and publish State and local legal guides impartially for tenants and landlords. | \$21,000 |
| Blue Water Baltimore | 2015 Street Tree Project | Baltimore City | Operating support to work with targeted Baltimore City communities and residents, to plant 100 street trees and educate residents on the benefits of planting trees. | \$25,000 |
| Bon Secours Community Works | Target Chronic Disease Initiative | Baltimore City | Operating support to provide coordinated strategies of education, screening, healthcare access, and healthy living habits focusing on both disease prevention and management. | \$50,000 |
| Boys & Girls Clubs of Annapolis & Anne Arundel County | Club Operations at the Boys & Girls Club at Bywater | Anne Arundel | Operating support for services including educational, cultural, social and health-related programming for at-risk youth residing in Bywater Mutual Homes in Annapolis. | \$40,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Business Volunteers Unlimited Maryland | Civic Leadership and School- Business Partnership Program | Baltimore City | Operating support for programs designed to engage, educate and connect the next generation of civic leaders from the community to volunteer in leadership roles at nonprofits and City schools. | \$50,000 |
| Cambridge Main Street | Organization Development Project | Dorchester | Operating support to increase organizational capacity to expand and improve efforts to attract more customers, businesses, and jobs to the Main Street district. | \$20,000 |
| CASA of Maryland, Inc. | CASA's Immigrant Integration Program: Financial Literacy | Prince George's | Operating support for the expansion of the Financial Literacy component of CASA's Immigrant Integration Program providing low-income immigrants citizenship education, mentoring and interview preparation, application assistance, and post-naturalization support. | \$50,000 |
| Center for Children, Inc. | Building Blocks for Success Phase II | Charles | Operating support for a research based model Parent Child Interaction Therapy for children 0-5 at risk of removal due to abuse/ neglect, substance use or living conditions referred by DSS from rural neighborhoods with high poverty. | \$25,000 |
| Chesapeake Children's Museum, Inc. | Facility and Programs Expansion | Anne Arundel | Capital and operating support for the re-design of the parking lot to accommodate buses, acquisition and improvement of outdoor playground equipment, and improvements to allow for expanded space for hands-on activities. | \$50,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Chesapeake Shakespeare Co. | Chesapeake Shakespeare Company's Education Program | Baltimore City | Operating support for the education program for students to engage directly with Shakespeare's timeless plays through dynamic workshops, residencies, and after school programs as well as matinee performances. | \$20,000 |
| Chester River Health Foundation, Inc. | iRounds - Patient Safety, Quality & Satisfaction Technology | Kent | Operating support to improve technology to assist in increasing patient safety, satisfaction and quality services provided on the Eastern Shore. | \$50,000 |
| Civic Works, Inc. | Education through Service | Baltimore City | Operating support to provide services to 5,660 low-income Baltimore City residents by providing them with the skills needed to graduate high school, attend college, and become self-sustaining and competitive in the current labor force. | \$30,000 |
| Community Foundation of Carroll County | Mary Lou Dewey Sculpture Park | Carroll | Capital support to improve the Mary Lou Dewey Sculpture Park, located in Westminster's Main Street, by renovating the park and placing five new pieces of sculpture by local artists. | \$15,000 |
| Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc. | Northwest Senior Shuttle | Baltimore City | Operating support for a free transportation system serving mostly low-income seniors providing over 220 riders per month to groceries, daily necessities, social services and social programming. | \$32,000 |
| Court Appointed Special Advocate of Montgomery Co. | Volunteer Advocate Recruitment & Training Program - Phase II | Montgomery | Operating support to provide training and ongoing support to an additional 150 volunteer advocates who will serve a minimum of 150 additional children. | \$20,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Doctors Community Hospital Foundation | DCH Community Health Outreach and Screening Programs | Prince George's | Operating support to provide health care and screening services through the DCH mobile health clinic, breast cancer and diabetes management programs to primarily low income residents of Prince George's County. | \$35,000 |
| Downtown Frederick Partnership | Increasing the Impact of the Main Street Program in Downtown | Frederick | Operating support to increase the impact of the local Main Street Program by implementing new projects to grow the vitality and economic viability of Downtown Frederick. | \$25,000 |
| Everyman Theatre, Inc. | Everyman Theatre Education and Community Engagement | Baltimore City | Operating support for the ongoing implementation and expansion of the Education and Community Engagement programming, in particular the Residency Program. | \$50,000 |
| Family and Children's Services of Central Maryland | FCS Falls Road Renovation | Baltimore City | Capital support for significant renovations at 4623 Falls Road to ensure our staff, clients and visitors a clean, healthy and safe environment. | \$30,000 |
| Franciscan Center, Inc. | Food and Empowerment Services Program Support | Baltimore City | Operating support for programs assisting Baltimore families and individuals in crisis to meet basic human needs, stabilize their lives and gain technical skills needed to become self-sufficient. | \$25,000 |
| Govans Ecumenical Development Corporation | Village Center at Stadium Place | Baltimore City | Operating support for The Village Center to provide a variety of service, shopping, health, and other needs of the community at large. | \$20,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Habitat for Humanity Choptank, Inc. | Neighborhood Building in Easton | Talbot | Capital support for the revitalization of the Port Street area in Easton by creating 3 affordable and energy efficient home ownership opportunities. | \$50,000 |
| Habitat for Humanity of Chesapeake, Inc. | Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative | Baltimore City | Capital support to expand neighborhood revitalization efforts in Central Maryland to encourage economic growth in depressed communities and provide decent, affordable housing to low-income families. | \$50,000 |
| Habitat for Humanity of Washington County, Inc. | Washington County Community Construction Project | Washington | Capital support to increase affordable housing for low-income families via both new construction and rehabilitations of existing houses to create a minimum of 6 affordable houses in 2015-2016. | \$30,000 |
| Habitat for Humanity of Wicomico County | Church Street Revitalization | Wicomico | Capital support to increase affordable housing for low-income families via both new construction and rehabilitation to create four homes. | \$50,000 |
| Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna, Inc. | Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna - ReStore Start-up | Harford | Operating support for a new Habitat for Humanity ReStore which will support Habitat homeownership in Harford and Cecil Counties by reselling donated goods, while promoting recycling and landfill diversion. | \$25,000 |
| Harford Family House, Inc. | Transitional Housing | Harford | Operational support for transitional housing services, such as individualized case management, provided to homeless families with children to help them obtain permanent, stable housing. | \$25,000 |
| Health Care for the Homeless | Dental Care for Homeless Children and Adults | Baltimore City | Operating support for the HCH Dental Clinic to expand access to preventive and restorative care for children and adults experiencing homelessness. | \$50,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Homes for America, Inc. | Clare Court Supportive Services | Baltimore City | Operating support to provide a part-time service coordinator position to effectively provide supportive services to the residents at Clare Court Apartments. | \$5,000 |
| The Ingenuity Project | The Ingenuity Project/Mathematics Program | Baltimore City | Operating support for the Ingenuity Project Mathematics Program targeting Baltimore City public middle and high school students. | \$20,000 |
| Job Opportunities Task Force | Project JumpStart | Baltimore City | Operating support to train unemployed Baltimoreans for jobs in construction through intensive training and case management services. | \$20,000 |
| Light House, Inc. | Building Employment Success Training (B.E.S.T.) | Anne Arundel | Operating support for B.E.S.T. programming to provide job readiness training, job retention strategies and support services in culinary arts or facilities management/landscaping for people who are homeless and at risk of homelessness. | \$50,000 |
| Live Baltimore Home Center | Family Retention Campaign | Baltimore City | A citywide family retention campaign and a broad, multi-year effort to keep families in Baltimore City. | \$10,000 |
| Marian House, Inc. | Therapeutic Recovery Program for Homeless Women and Children | Baltimore City | Operating support to provide therapeutic recovery services to homeless women and children to help them overcome the challenges they face and to help women create independent, self-sufficient lives | \$30,000 |
| Maryland Food Bank | Baltimore City Youth Hunger Initiative | Baltimore | Operating support for initiative to increase services the 30,650 food-insecure children in Baltimore City. | \$50,000 |
| Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts | Theater Wing Renovation | Anne Arundel | Operating support for the design, permit application and construction documentation for south wing addition. | \$25,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Maryland Humanities Council | Education in-school humanities programs for youth | Baltimore City | Operating support for One Maryland One Book, Maryland History Day, and Letters About Literature programs that enrich students' lives and facilitate college and career readiness through Common Core learning by teaching writing, reading, and research and critical thinking skills. | \$25,000 |
| Maryland Therapeutic Riding | MTR's Operational and Annual Fund Enhancement Program | Anne Arundel | Operating support for the Annual Fund which provides scholarships, volunteer recruitment and serves for individuals with special needs. | \$25,000 |
| Mobile Medical Care, Inc. | Multicultural Healthcare Clinics for At-Risk Populations | Montgomery | Operating support to provide primary healthcare and patient education for low-income residents in the high- need communities of Aspen Hill, Germantown and Rockville. | \$20,000 |
| Mount Vernon Place Conservancy | Washington Monument and Mount Vernon Place Operations | Baltimore City | Operating support for the Mount Vernon Place Conservancy, to maintain, enhance and restore the Washington Monument and four surrounding squares by providing events and visitors to the Monument and squares. | \$30,000 |
| National Electronics Museum | Satellites: Transforming Our Lives | Anne Arundel | Capital and operating support for activities related to the new Space Gallery including fundraising, design, construction, artifact collection and installation and promotion. | \$10,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Neighborhood Design Center, Inc. | Community Design Works | Baltimore City | The Community Design Works Program assists community organizations create viable and sustainable neighborhoods by providing pro bono design services for projects such as greening vacant lots, streetscapes, parks, playgrounds, master plans, and more. | \$15,000 |
| Parks & People Foundation | Community Greening Fund | Baltimore City | Operating support for the community grant programs that provide funds, technical assistance, advice and support to residents improving neighborhoods through greening and gardening in community managed open spaces. | \$22,000 |
| Partners In Care Maryland, Inc. | Repairs With Care-Expansion | Anne Arundel | Operating support to provide minor home repairs for low-income older adults residing in Priority Funding Areas in Anne Arundel County | \$30,000 |
| Playworks Education Energized Baltimore | Playworks: Harnessing the Power of Play | Baltimore City | Operating support to provide safe, inclusive and meaningful play to nearly 12,000 students in 24 low-income Baltimore schools to improve school climate and increase overall academic engagement. | \$15,000 |
| Port Discovery Children's Museum | Fish Market Historic Preservation Project | Baltimore City | Capital support for the renovation of the 108-year-old Fish Market building – the only remaining building of the Center Market, an architectural and historic landmark, and home of the world-class Port Discovery Children's Museum. | \$50,000 |

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| Nonprofit/ Awardee | Project Name | Project County | Project Description | Award Amount |
| Roberta's House, Inc. | Roberta's House Capital & Operational Development Phase III | Baltimore City | Capital and operating support to construct a facility at 922-928 East North Avenue and operate a Family Bereavement Center to serve at-risk children, youth, and families of Baltimore City. | \$30,000 |
| Saint Martin's Ministries, Inc. | Improving Homeless Outcomes in Caroline County | Caroline | Operating support for case management staff and upgrades to SMM's IT platform to allow sharing of information about homelessness to various stakeholders and improve delivery of services. | \$20,000 |
| St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center, Inc. | Framework for the Future | Baltimore City | St. Ambrose will address the issues of the low income families of Baltimore by strengthening our infrastructure and prioritizing our delivery of services. | \$20,000 |
| United Ministries | Prospect Place | Baltimore City | Operating support for Prospect Place, located in Baltimore County, a permanent supportive housing project for chronically homeless men. | \$15,000 |
| World Arts Focus/Joe's Movement Emporium | World Arts Focus 20th Anniversary Campaign & Capital Fund | Prince George's | Operating support to increase fundraising efforts for the repairs and replacement of worn equipment in the 20,000 sq. foot performing and community arts center. | \$50,000 |
| YMCA of Cumberland MD, Inc. | K.I.D.S. Project | Allegany | Operating support for the K.I.D.S. (Keeping Individuals Directed Successfully) Project which provides recreation activities, character development, academic support, and mentoring for youth (ages 3-16) living in Cumberland Housing Authority units. | \$15,000 |
| TOTAL | | | | \$1,750,000 |

Households And Persons Assisted

Persons Assisted

The Department's loan and grant programs are targeted to various populations:

- Low- and very low-income families who need assistance to make their monthly rent payment;
- Hard working families and individuals looking forward to owning their first home;
- Frail elderly persons and those needing just a little extra help to continue leading full and active lives;
- Developmentally-disabled individuals who want an opportunity to show they can make it on their own;
- Young children whose lives are at risk because of lead-paint poisoning;
- Low- and moderate-income families whose homes need improvements in order to improve the efficiency, safety and overall affordability
- Low-income families who need to make repairs to their home; and
- Residents in rural areas who still don't have running water and indoor toilets.

Documentation of Assistance to be Provided

The State maintains project records on housing/households assisted with federal funds. This includes: the address of the property, the number of residential dwelling units occupied by assisted households, the type of assistance provided, the program funding source(s) and amount(s) of federal assistance provided. It also includes the number of households or persons assisted, including income categories (i.e., very low-, low-, or moderate-income), the head of the households racial/ethnic identification and whether or not the households and unit meet Section 215 criteria. These records are not incorporated into the Performance Report, but rather kept on file for HUD Review.

OTHER ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN

PUBLIC POLICIES

During the reporting period, the State of Maryland adopted a number of public policies that are designed to help the State carry out the objectives in its Consolidated Plan.

INSTITUTIONAL STRUCTURE

During the past year, the State undertook a number of actions and activities designed to improve the institutional structure that provides housing and community development opportunities to Maryland's citizens.

The State continued to institute a number of policies for developing statewide building codes, energy code and energy saving activities for Maryland residents. The State of Maryland adopted the Maryland Building Performance Standards and incorporate 2015 International Building Code (2012 IBC), 2015 International Residential Code (2012 IRC), 2015 International Existing Building Code (2015 IEBC), and 2015 International Energy Conservation Code (2015 IECC). The 2015 International Energy Conservation Code will be required to be adopted by all States by May 2015. The State of Maryland was one of the first states to adopt this model energy code statewide. This adoption is required for future funding considerations by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). DHCD continued to work with the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) to promote energy efficiency and to provide training sessions to the building professionals and local building officials following the adoption of a statewide 2015 IECC. DHCD also provided many training sessions for the 2015 IBC, 2015 IRC, 2015 IEBC, and Maryland Accessibility Codes. The Maryland Accessibility Code had been certified by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) as meeting or exceeding federal standards regarding the accessibility code. In addition, the International Code Council (ICC) will published the 2015 International Building Code (2015 IBC), 2015 International Residential Code (2015 IRC), 2015 International Existing Building Code (2015 IEBC), 2015 Property Maintenance Code (2015 IPMC), and 2015 Energy Conservation Code (2015 IECC) in April 2015. DHCD will take steps to update the Maryland Building Performance Standards (MBPS) by incorporating these codes during the reporting period and they will become effective Statewide January 1, 2015.

The training sessions provided by DHCD to building professionals and local building officials are essential to ensure compliance with the codes, and thus increase the safety, energy efficiency and comfort to the citizens of the State. DHCD is also working with MEA to promote the new Maryland Energy Efficient Standards Act which creates energy-efficient standards for certain products and appliances that are sold and installed in Maryland. New technologies promoted by the Act will save consumers money by improving energy efficiency in homes and businesses. DHCD also received funding from MEA to carry out energy efficiency improvements in its multi-family developments, including rehabilitating older properties to higher energy efficiency standards as well as constructing new buildings to higher standards, some with alternative energy sources.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION

DHCD continued its efforts in working with numerous other State agencies and local governments to support Intergovernmental Cooperation. The major on-going effort of Intergovernmental Cooperation that began last year and will continue into next year is working with the Maryland Departments of Planning, Agriculture, Business and Economic Development, Education, Environment, Natural Resources and Transportation, as well as Maryland's Counties and Cities in the creation of a State Development Plan and a

State Housing Plan. The State Development Plan will help guide future growth and development in Maryland. The State Housing Plan will look at housing as a whole for all of Maryland (including the entitlement jurisdictions) to help coordinate housing policy and goals with State goals. Both plans are also meant to help guide State investment to help strengthen Maryland's communities and promote Smart Growth.

DHCD is also working with other State agencies to improve coordination of effort in the areas of special needs housing, homelessness, and lead paint abatement. DHCD staff worked with DHMH and MDOD on an initiative to help provide housing to disabled individuals, including working on a Section 811 application as well as working through normal channels to expand fair housing choice. The results of this application DHCD was awarded \$9.8 million with the first households expected to be assisted in 2016.

Two other major coordination efforts where DHCD worked with other State agencies in the past year included efforts to promote Transit Oriented Development (TOD) and efforts to promote energy efficiency in DHCD financed housing projects. In terms of TOD, DHCD worked with the Maryland Department of Transportation, Business and Economic Development, and Department of General Services among others to promote the development/redevelopment of Maryland's mass transit stations. Fourteen stations have been initially identified for coordinated growth and investment opportunities, with each agency giving priority to funding projects located around these TOD sites.

In terms of energy efficiency, DHCD has participated with the Maryland Energy Administration, to expand energy efficiency and green building throughout Maryland. This includes providing bonus points under the State's QAP for green building, as well as using Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, DOE, and other funding to promote energy efficiency in multifamily and single family housing as discussed elsewhere in this document. Housing projects that received funding under this initiative were discussed earlier in this report (no business loans had closed during the reporting period.) Also as noted earlier in this report, DHCD has received a number of competitive grants from various funding sources to further energy efficiency activities in residential properties and multifamily properties, and is now the sole administrator of the EmPOWER LIEEP programs.

DHCD also actively participates on the Critical Areas Commission, ensuring that the State's environmental resources are protected, especially in wetland areas. The State's Smart Codes effort ensures DHCD is working in cooperation with local governments to develop building codes that promote affordable housing and revitalization of existing buildings

DHCD is also currently working with Department of Human Resources staff to help update Maryland's 10-year Plan to end chronic homelessness. Other State agencies, local housing and homeless providers, nonprofit organizations, advocacy groups, and other interested parties are also involved in this effort. The same holds true for the development of the State's 10 year Plan to Eliminate Childhood Lead Poisoning. DHCD is working with the Maryland Department of the Environment, Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, local governments, and others in developing the Plan and implementing strategies that will protect children and make housing lead safe.

DHCD has also been working with other State agencies to improve housing and health care for Veterans. This includes offering special low-interest financing for Veterans through the MMP and DSELP, as well as working on initiatives to help Veterans through a multi-agency working group coordinated under a VetStat umbrella. DHCD has been particularly looking into helping homeless Veterans with additional VASH vouchers as well as other resources, and worked with HUD as well as local agencies to provide additional resources to homeless Veterans, particularly in southern Maryland.

Comprehensive Plan Requirements

As part of its evaluation process, HUD asks grantees who prepare a Consolidated Plan to report 1) whether they pursued all resources that they indicated they would pursue, 2) whether the grantee provided all requested Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan, in a fair and impartial manner, for HUD programs which it indicated it would support, and 3) whether the grantee engaged in willful inaction so that it would fail to meet its Consolidated Plan goals.

During the past year, DHCD pursued all of the funding sources it said it would pursue. This included submitting the appropriate requests for all formula grant programs for which it was eligible, as well as submitting applications for competitive funds as appropriate. (As noted elsewhere in the CAPER, DHCD received almost \$10 million from HUD this year under the Section 811 demonstration, as well as about \$1.2 million in housing counseling funding from NeighborWorks through these efforts. DHCD also received funding under the Family Self Sufficiency to help operate that program). DHCD also certified all the requests for Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan that it received. This included requests for Continuum of Care Funds, Shelter Plus Care Funds (including both new and renewal projects), Supportive Housing Funds, Housing Counseling Funds, ROSS funding, Public Housing Plans, etc. These certifications were made to a wide variety of agencies and organizations, including units of local governments, Public Housing Authorities, Community Action Agencies, health providers, shelter providers, and faith based organizations, among others. Lastly, DHCD did not engage in any willful inaction where it failed to meet its Consolidated Plan goals.

Geographic Targeting and Underserved Needs

HUD asks that grantees identify actions taken to serve populations that are considered underserved by housing programs. Under the State's Consolidated Plan, no group is identified as being more underserved than another for housing assistance. This is because the Housing Analysis in the Plan noted that all types of households covered by the Plan had substantial housing needs without substantial difference due to households size, makeup, race, or other factor. For example, if the percentage of "small, very low-income renter families" with housing needs was 65 percent statewide, virtually every jurisdiction within the State was within a few percentage points of the statewide average. In the survey of needs completed for the five-year Plan, questions about infrastructure, community development, and economic development needs also indicated a similarity of need from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

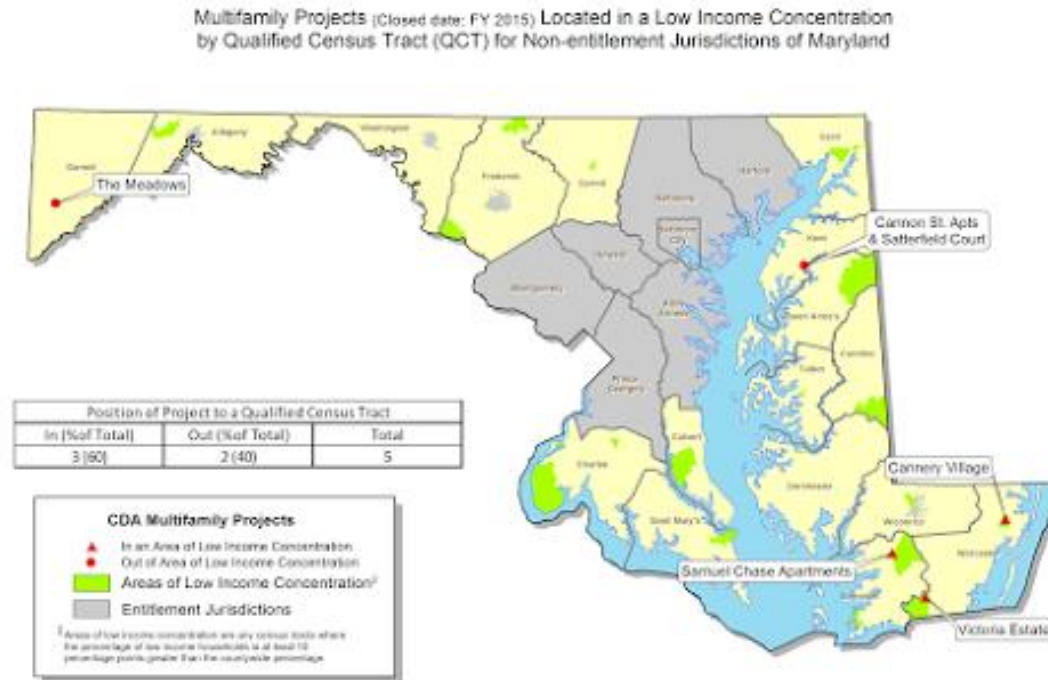
Since similar needs exist throughout the State, the State does not target its funds to certain jurisdictions, except as established by law. For example, the State's allocation of CDBG funds may only be used in non-entitlement areas. Since there is a major emphasis on directing resources to growth areas and areas in need of revitalization, we will generally be targeting funds to projects located in Priority Funding Areas (PFAs) as well. In addition, HUD also asks if or how funds will be specifically targeted to areas of minority and low-income concentration. In its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, the State defined a "high concentration" of minority households as a census tract where the percentage of minority households is at least 10% greater than the county average. That is, if county "x" was 23 percent minority, then a concentration occurred if a census tract was 33 percent minority. If county "y" was 30 percent minority, then a concentration occurred if a census tract was more than 40 percent and so on for each county covered by the State's AI. Based on this definition, of the 346 census tracts in Maryland's non-entitlement areas in the time of the Analysis, only 25, or just over 7%, had census tracts of high minority concentration. (Note: This discussion reflects the information for the AI in effect for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015. A new AI went into effect on July 1, 2015.)

As noted above, DHCD targets its funds to Priority Funding Areas (PFAs). Of the 25 tracts with concentrations, 15 have concentrations due to institutions such as Historically Black Colleges and Universities, hospital centers, military bases, or prisons. Of the remaining 10, 9 are located in PFAs. Because of DHCD's emphasis on targeting funds to PFAs, areas of minority concentration are already targeted for assistance through the State's housing and community revitalization programs. (The one concentration outside of a PFA is located in Charles County and is minority, but not low-income. See the Five-Year Plan's discussion of concentrations and the AI for more information.)

The maps on the following pages show DHCD activity in areas of minority and low income concentration. This has been done for all MF loans in the non-entitlement areas, as well as CDBG and ESG projects that could be mapped. (Not all projects for CDBG and ESG can be mapped because some projects under CDBG have an area-wide benefit or involve infrastructure improvements over a large area. Not all ESG funded projects are able to be mapped because some assistance is given to "hidden" sites such as battered women's shelters, or some activities take place in multiple areas). Note that loans and grants to individuals were not mapped. This was done both to protect individuals privacy and because loans such as rehabilitation loans for homeowners funded with HOME or CDBG do not change the low-income or minority makeup of a community. HUD has full details on individuals served with HOME and CDBG rehabilitation loans in the IDIS system.

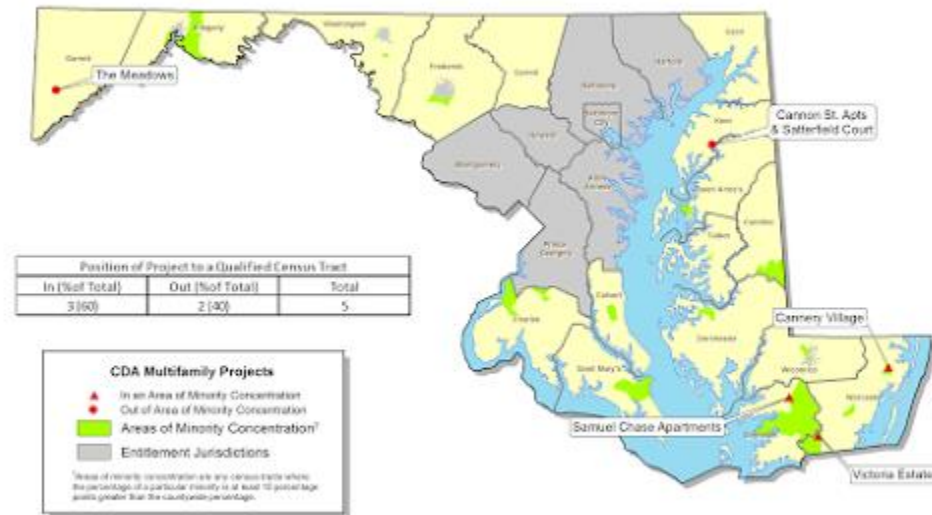
Multi-Family Projects

For Multi-family programs, DHCD undertook a total of five (5) projects in non-entitlement areas, three of which were in areas of low-income concentration. Of these three, two – Samuel Chase and Victoria Estates, are rehabilitation projects. The third project, Cannery Village, is located in Berlin and is part of a designated revitalization area.



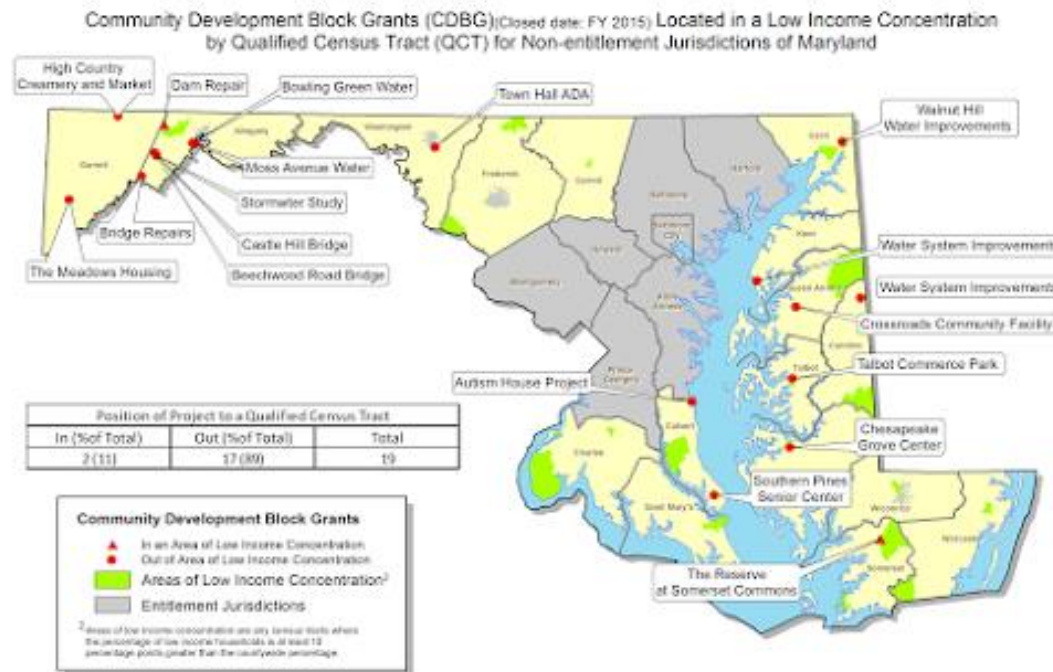
In terms of minority concentration, of the projects funded in non-entitlement areas, the same three projects that were located in areas of low-income concentration were also in areas of minority concentration. As noted above, two of these projects were rehabilitation projects, so did not impact concentration levels, and the third, the new construction project in Berlin, is in a designated revitalization area.

Multifamily Projects (Closed date: FY 2015) Located in a Minority Population Concentration by Qualified Census Tract (QCT) for Non-entitlement Jurisdictions of Maryland



CDBG Projects

We were able to map 19 of the CDBG projects the State funded. Of these, two projects were located in areas of low-income concentration. One of these was actually repairing a dam in Allegany County. The low-income concentration is due to a large number of students at Frostburg State University. The other project is the new construction of a rental development serving families in Princess Anne, which is impacted by the presence of an HBCU, the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, which serves many low-income and minority students.

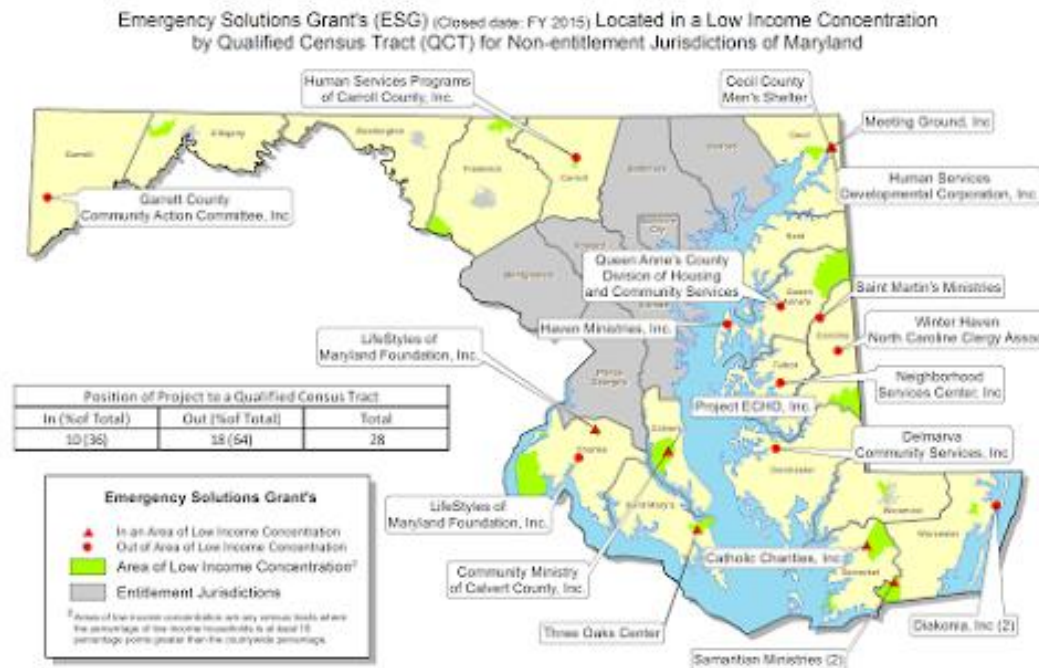


In terms of areas of minority concentration and CDBG projects, of the 19 mappable projects funded, four were in areas of minority-income concentration. This included two infrastructure improvement projects to improve water and sewer service in Allegany County just outside of Cumberland. The other two projects were The Reserve at Somerset County, the same development mentioned above, and the other was to fund infrastructure and site improvements at the Chesapeake Grove Center, which will provide supportive services to adults and children in Cambridge. Again, all projects are in designated revitalization areas.

ESG Projects

Lastly, for the ESG program, we were able to map 28 of the grants awarded. Of those 28, ten (10) were located in areas of low-income concentration. (Note that the map does not show that many projects. That is because some organizations received more

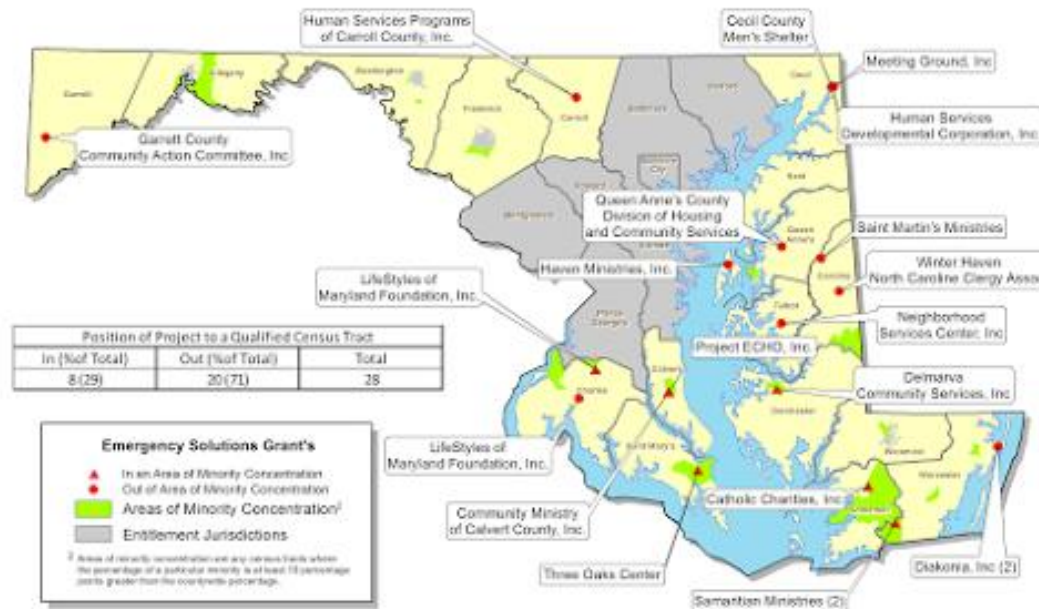
than one grant that was mappable.) It is not entirely surprising that many of the grants are in areas of low-income concentration, homeless shelters and activities tend to be located in areas where poor and/or homeless people are.



Several of these areas are also impacted by institutional structures. For example, Project Echo is in an area of low-income concentration (as well as minority concentration) due to a prison work/release facility. The Catholic Charities and Samaritan Ministries projects are examples of other project also impacted by institutions, including the UMES for Catholic Charities and migratory farm labor camps for Samaritan Ministries.

Lastly, in terms of ESG projects in areas of minority concentration, eight of the 28 mappable projects are in areas of concentration. As noted above, this is primarily due to the presence of institutional structures such as the prison work release facility noted above, UMES, etc. As for all projects DHCD funds with federal (and State) dollars, all of these projects are in designated revitalization areas.

Emergency Solutions Grant's (ESG) (Closed date: FY 2015) Located in a Minority Population Concentration by Qualified Census Tract (QCT) for Non-entitlement Jurisdictions of Maryland



Leveraging Resources

DHCD was highly successful in leveraging resources during the past year. As the table below shows, the federal and State programs operated by DHCD which are primarily used as gap financing programs leveraged more than \$628 million in public and private resources in the past year.

| July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Program | Funds Awarded | Total Project Cost | Leveraging |
| CDBG | \$7,665,319 | \$46,394,214 | \$38,839,895 |
| ESG | \$953,756 | \$7,928,993 | \$6,975,237 |
| HOME-MF | \$8,583,430 | \$63,518,849 | \$54,935,419 |
| Competitive LIHTC | \$10,050,638 | \$167,613,444 | \$157,562,806 |
| Non-Competitive LIHTC | \$9,963,272 | \$388,911,251 | \$378,947,979 |
| Community Legacy | \$6,126,000 | \$28,594,140 | \$22,468,140 |
| TOTAL | \$43,342,415.00 | \$702,960,891.00 | \$659,729,476.00 |

ELIMINATING BARRIERS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING

In the Consolidated Plan, the State identified eight barriers to affordable housing in Maryland. These included 1) Building Codes and Standards, 2) Local Zoning, 3) Approval Fees, 4) the Permit Approval Process, 5) Lack of adequate financial resources, 6) Housing Acquisition Finance Requirements, 7) Government coordination, and 8) lack of Fair Housing Choice.

DHCD's actions to promote fair housing choice and improve Government Coordination are discussed elsewhere in this Report. As a State Agency, DHCD has no control over local zoning, local approval fees, or the local permit process. However, DHCD has made progress in other areas over which has control. One of these is building codes and standards. As noted elsewhere in this report, the State of Maryland has adopted new building codes that take effect Statewide on January 1, 2012. Adopting uniform building codes will make it easier for developers and individuals to undertake projects statewide.

In terms of housing acquisition financing, the State specifically identified obtaining a down payment as a major barrier to affordable housing. DHCD has addressed this need by continued funding and operation of its DSELP program, which helps families overcome this barrier and assisted over 1,500 families during the reporting period. DHCD also has provided substantial funding for the construction of new affordable rental housing with "Rental Housing Works" funding which increased the amount available for MF construction by \$20 million last fiscal year (the period covered under this report). DHCD also adopted initiatives specifically targeted to Veterans and members of the active military, including reducing MMP rates for military households and offering double our normal down payment assistance through our "Maryland Homefront" initiative. In addition, DHCD offered \$20 million in reduced mortgage loans under our Targeted Areas initiative to help turn around areas impacted by foreclosure.

Lastly, DHCD continues to advocate for more Federal housing resources so that it can provide more affordable housing to individuals and families with housing needs. Sequestration has resulted in DHCD holding on to Section 8 Vouchers when they are returned to help insure that no families who are currently assisted lose their assistance. Deep cuts to the HOME program (50 percent over the past three years) have negatively impacted our ability to help provide low-income housing, and cuts to the CDBG program have impacted our ability to provide affordable housing as well.

LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT

The Multifamily Rental Financing Program Guide which is an attachment to the Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) was revised July, 2014. Revisions included: the replacement of references to the programs eliminated by HB 453 (i.e., RHPP, ERHP, MHRP, and NRP) with the newly created Rental Housing Program (RHP), moving the “local government notice and opportunity to comment” from threshold criteria to application processing, making the local contribution optional, and moving the local contribution from threshold to scoring criteria.

PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENT INITIATIVES

HUD asks States under this part of the Performance Report to discuss public housing resident initiatives. The purpose is to describe the activities taken during the reporting period to encourage residents of State public housing units operated by a State public housing agency to help tenants become more involved in the management of public housing and to participate in homeownership. DHCD’s Community Development Administration does not operate physical public housing units in this manner. DHCD does operate as a Section 8 Voucher PHA.

In regard to helping PHA residents participate in homeownership opportunities, PHA residents are able to access all of DHCD’s homeownership loan programs for which they qualify. In addition, DHCD has developed a strategy that allows Housing Choice (Section 8) Voucher holders to use their Vouchers for homeownership. DHCD has formed partnerships with two agencies, the Garrett County Community Action Committee, and the Maryland Rural Development Corporation (both of which are HUD-approved housing counseling agencies) to utilizing the homeownership option of Housing Choice Vouchers. DHCD also offers the program to cover all counties on the Eastern Shore where the Department administers Housing Choice Vouchers, i.e., Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties. Under the agreements, DHCD is requiring that financing be provided, insured, or guaranteed by the State or Federal government. Lenders will be required to comply with generally accepted mortgage underwriting standards consistent with those of HUD/FHA, GNMA, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, the Maryland Mortgage Program, USDA Rural Housing Services, the Federal Home Loan Bank, or other private lending institutions.

Lastly, while not Public Housing per se, DHCD has entered into a business relationship with HUD to act as contract administrator for many apartment complexes with project based Section 8 throughout the State. DHCD’s role is to ensure that these properties are

well managed. The table below shows the number of units and funding for properties managed by DHCD's Office of Contract Administration.

| SECTION 8 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | |
|---|--------------|-------|
| County | Funding | Units |
| Allegany | \$2,542,751 | 538 |
| Anne Arundel | \$10,327,146 | 1,150 |
| Baltimore City | \$58,365,065 | 7,609 |
| Baltimore County | \$11,992,480 | 1,808 |
| Calvert | \$511,919 | 77 |
| Caroline | \$1,318,978 | 232 |
| Carroll | \$2,558,861 | 379 |
| Cecil | \$1,313,005 | 178 |
| Charles | \$7,087,788 | 670 |
| Dorchester | \$2,819,017 | 371 |
| Frederick | \$3,931,559 | 548 |
| Garrett | \$209,761 | 50 |
| Harford | \$10,257,960 | 1,372 |
| Howard | \$8,791,134 | 1,118 |
| Kent | \$965,489 | 150 |
| Montgomery | \$32,823,256 | 3,154 |
| Prince George's | \$21,336,725 | 2,757 |
| Queen Anne's | \$216,041 | 58 |
| Saint Mary's | \$1,592,353 | 242 |
| Somerset | \$651,299 | 90 |

| SECTION 8 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | |
|---|----------------------|---------------|
| County | Funding | Units |
| Talbot | \$71,323 | 33 |
| Washington | \$3,937,595 | 558 |
| Wicomico | \$4,377,515 | 691 |
| Worcester | \$1,201,323 | 228 |
| TOTAL | \$189,200,344 | 24,061 |

LEAD PAINT HAZARD CONTROL ACTIVITIES

The State of Maryland is a nationally recognized leader for its extensive efforts to reduce lead paint hazards. Maryland uses both federal and State resources to reduce lead hazards and provide lead-safe units of affordable housing to families with young children who are especially susceptible to lead poisoning. Federal programs used for lead hazard control include programs such as HOME where lead hazard reduction is carried out as a matter of course when rehabilitation projects are undertaken. State funds for lead hazard reduction activities may be used in owner-occupied single-family homes and rental housing of up to 100 units. Licensed childcare facilities may also be eligible for funding. Units must meet the following criteria:

- Be in need of lead hazard reduction activity;
- Be constructed prior to 1950;
- Be structurally sound upon completion of lead hazard reduction activity; and
- Rental Units must be registered with the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Lead Poisoning Prevention Program.

State funds may be provided as loans or grants. Loan terms are based on the cash flow of the property and/or the affordability of the borrower. Grants are available only for properties located in targeted areas defined by DHCD and whose underwriting shows there is no affordability to repay a loan or that the property does not have sufficient value to secure additional debt. Targeted areas are defined by the number of low-income households and the amount of pre-1950 of housing stock. There are no income limits for this program.

| RESIDENTIAL LEAD HAZARD CONTROL PROGRAM July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | |
|---|------------|------------|--------------------|
| County | Loans | Units | Amount |
| Anne Arundel County | 8 | 8 | \$97,100 |
| Baltimore City | 100 | 100 | \$1,186,114 |
| Baltimore County | 2 | 2 | \$46,992 |
| Prince George's County | 1 | 1 | \$13,612 |
| Washington County | 1 | 1 | \$14,245 |
| Wicomico County | 4 | 4 | \$99,242 |
| Total | 117 | 117 | \$1,457,305 |

PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

The Department is strongly committed to the preservation of existing rental housing developments. In terms of direct investment, the Department has increased its investment in preservation in recent years. Since 2000 MDHCD has preserved over 19,000 units of affordable housing statewide, including 2,695 units preserved during the reporting period (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015).

- In 2006 launched an initiative to preserve expiring HUD 202 properties.
- In 2007 opened the Maryland Housing Rehabilitation Program (MHRP) to provide low-interest, subordinate loans for preservation projects, and began working more closely with the USDA Rural Housing Service to recapitalize rural properties
- In 2008, the Department created a \$75 million set-aside of tax-exempt bonds for preservation opportunities
- In 2009 the Department was awarded funding through the Windows of Opportunity Preservation Leaders initiative of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation to further expand its rental housing preservation initiatives. This 10-year program is up and running. Types of activities undertaken included training on green building techniques, and the establishment of short term loan funds to help finance the quick acquisition of at risk properties outside of normal rating and ranking rounds to help ensure the preservation of units at risk of loss to the affordable housing portfolio. The preservation loan funds are focused on counties most heavily impacted by BRAC, including Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Cecil, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Prince George's and Saint Mary's Counties which joined together with DHCD as part of the MacArthur application and subsequent program(s).
- The 2014 Maryland legislature approved an additional \$20 million for the Rental Housing Works (RHW) program which was partly used in FY 2015 as subordinate gap financing for DHCD's Multifamily Bond Program (MBP) and 4% Low Income Tax Credits. This also helped with preservation efforts as projects utilizing bond financing typically also require renovation.

Energy efficiency is a key tool to preserve existing rental housing. As ordered by the Maryland Public Service Commission the five EmPOWER Maryland utilities are providing \$72 million in funds to the State of which \$12.5 million is for energy efficiency

improvements in rental housing developments through the end of 2014. DHCD's Be Smart program has revolving loan fund components that will be used ongoing to implement energy efficiency improvements in residential and multifamily units. DHCD's EIF pilot program will be used to implement energy efficiency improvements in up to 10 projects within DHCD's existing portfolio.

REMOVING IMPEDIMENTS AND PROVIDING FAIR HOUSING

In the State's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI), the State determined it needed to follow a strategy that

- 1) provide fair housing education,
- 2) provide for greater outreach to persons of Limited English Proficiency (LEP),
- 3) help to ensure fair housing choice for persons with disabilities,
- 4) work with the federal government to improve data collection on items such as mortgage lending and determining the housing needs of persons with disabilities, and
- 5) increase the supply of affordable and accessible housing.

The activities the State undertook in the past year are discussed below:

Fair Housing Education

DHCD continued to be proactive in its efforts to provide fair housing education and training to non-entitlement areas of the state. During the past year, the program-accomplished the following:

1. Fair Housing Educational Material Distribution – DHCD participated in several outreach events that took place throughout the State of Maryland. These events had attendees that represented renters, landlords, home owners and real-estate professionals. Informational brochures and Fair Housing posters were distributed to attendees. Additional distribution of materials was also forwarded to Non-Entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) recipients and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program throughout the State of Maryland.
2. Promotion of April as National Fair Housing Month – The month was recognized with participation at several Fair Housing Outreach Events throughout the State.
3. DHCD Partnership and Training Efforts - DHCD formed partnerships through a contractual agreement with Baltimore Neighborhood Inc. (BNI) to conduct annually match-pair tests, utilizing HUD approved protocols, to assess compliance with fair housing laws and the manner of services provided to existing and potential tenants and homebuyers. In addition, BNI will conduct educational/outreach events of 5-hour duration following BNI's "Fair Housing Matters" curriculum, utilized by BNI throughout the state and approved by HUD and local government funders.

4. DHCD Partnership with the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights (MCCR) that provided guidance and training to professionals throughout the State of Maryland, which focused primarily on promoting fair housing. In addition, sponsored the Fair Housing Five project; affirmatively promote fair housing through books to public school children throughout the state.

Expanding the Supply

As per the information above, DHCD financed thousands of new units of affordable housing during the reporting period. Some projects received multiple sources of funding. However, when all “double counting” is excluded, DHCD produced 2,638 rental units, financed homeownership for 2,348 households, rehabilitated 893 homes, and provided rental assistance to 660 households using RAP and HOPWA funding. We would also note that neither the homeownership or rental housing figures includes units that will be produced under programs such as the Community Legacy Program, which funded numerous projects that involve the acquisition and rehabilitation of housing for sale or rent, or housing funded through the Maryland Affordable Housing Trust which may or may not utilize DHCD funding when projects are completed. In addition, DHCD provided rental assistance through the Section 8 program to over 2,000 households who are not counted under rental assistance since the same families typically receive assistance from one year to the next.

Providing Fair Housing Choice to Persons With Disabilities

In addition to these activities, DHCD took specific actions to increase the housing supply for persons with disabilities both in the homeownership and rental market. In the homeownership area, DHCD continued to operate its Homeownership for Individuals With Disabilities program noted elsewhere in this report, assisting 17 families last year. As noted in previous Performance Reports, DHCD changed its rating and ranking factors for rental housing projects, giving bonus points for projects that will affirmatively market units to individuals with disabilities. This change in policy resulted in 198 units being financed, held and/or marketed to persons with disabilities and other special needs during the reporting period (bringing the total number of units for the disabled to 2,100 since this change was implemented.) DHCD, in partnership with the Maryland Department of Disabilities and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene also applied for a Section 811 PRA grant with HUD. From this application DHCD was awarded \$9.8 million for 150 units across the State for persons with disabilities. DHCD, DHMH, and MDoD received an earlier Section 811 grant from HUD, with tenant intake expected to start in 2015. As noted earlier in the Performance Report, DHCD also continued to successful operation of its Group Home and SHOP programs as well. These programs provided financing for 6 units/beds for persons with developmental disabilities, mental illness, and other disabilities. In addition, as noted earlier in the CAPER, DHCD used HOME funds to finance a group home as well

Outreach to Persons of Limited English Proficiency

As noted in previous Performance Reports, DHCD undertook major efforts to increase information and access to our programs for persons of LEP. DHCD achieved this goal by adding an “En Español” section to our website for Spanish speakers, including translating information on all of our homeownership programs as well as all of our special loan programs which focus on housing rehabilitation into Spanish. In addition, DHCD also had information on the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) and state-funded Rental Assistance Program translated as well. This involved translating and making available almost 200 pages of information on the website, including links and sub links within pages to other Spanish language pages. In addition, a new Spanish language link was added to the Department’s homepage, which brought together all previously translated documents and materials (such as Maryland Housing Search and Housing Counseling information) with the new materials onto one central site where it is now possible to find all translated materials in one central location.

During the past year, DHCD also continued to advertise the availability of its products through Spanish language radio and television ads. DHCD also continued to participate in the State’s translation services where speakers of other languages than Spanish may call for assistance and translation of information and materials as needed.

Assistance for persons of LEP who are non-Spanish speakers was also provided through Maryland Housing Search (www.MDhousingsearch.org) which is the Department’s main tool for helping persons of LEP find affordable rental housing. This tool actually provides information on finding affordable rental housing in ninety (90) different languages, which is a notable expansion over previous assistance and is in tune with the State’s new AI (which became effective July 1, 2015) which noted that analysis of most recent Census Data showed that more languages passed the “safe harbor” threshold for translating documents for persons of LEP.

Fair Lending and Housing Opportunities

Homeownership

As noted in previous CAPERs, the State of Maryland created a number of new programs to deal with the foreclosure crisis and problems with unfair lending practices, including the Maryland Mortgage Fraud Protection Act, The Protection of Homeowners in Foreclosure Act, and the Real Property Recordation Act. DHCD also created four new programs, Save-A-Home Loan Program, Targeted Areas initiative, Maryland Homefront: The Veterans and Military Family Mortgage Program and REO: DHCD-owned Foreclosure Program, to help refinance mortgages and/or help owners refinance mortgages through the private sector

DHCD continued its efforts in western Maryland to find lenders to utilize its projects. As noted in last year’s CAPER, DHCD designated several positions as “omnibusmen” to help address lack of lending in western Maryland. (This effort affirmatively

furthered fair housing under HUD's guidelines that encourage grantees to assist persons in underserved areas). In addition, these staff members also continued to help persons with disabilities purchase homes, helping to address this need as well.

DHCD's major efforts regarding fair lending and housing opportunities during the reporting period continued to focus on helping households affected by the mortgage crisis.

DHCD continued to operate the HOPE Hotline to help families at risk of foreclosure, providing assistance to housing counseling agencies through both federal and state resources.

DHCD also undertook affirmative marketing efforts for its programs, including marketing its programs in buses and subways, in movie theaters, and through other methods and venues in order to reach audiences the Department may not have reach through more "standard" venues.

As set for in its AI, the State of Maryland also advocated for reforms in the mortgage process, which were included and passed as part of the Financial Service Reform legislation passed by Congress several years ago. DHCD is currently awaiting the federal government to issue the new requirements, which should make for greater clarity and fairness in the mortgage process in terms of private lending.

Maryland Commission on Civil Rights

While DHCD continued to carry out its strategies to increase and expand fair housing opportunities developed under its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights has the primary responsibility for carrying out fair housing activities in the State.

Among their major initiatives in the past year (MCCR reports on a calendar year basis, their most recent report is for CY 2014), the MCCR conducted training sessions for about 4,450 individuals throughout the State, which ties directly back to the education component of the State's AI. The Commission also sponsored its first fair housing symposium in cooperation with both DHCD and HUD. MCCR's technical assistance and outreach are part of an ongoing strategy by MCCR to enhance partnerships and relationships between local, State, and federal agencies, including local human relations agencies, the Governor's Office for Minority Affairs, DHCD, HUD, the Department of Justice and others. These activities also tie in directly with the goal in the Analysis of Impediments to improve education about fair housing and fair housing choice.

The MCCR reported a total of 65 fair housing complaints were filed state wide in 2014, 16 of them in areas covered under the State's AI (the remainder of the complaints were in the State's entitlement jurisdictions). Of the 65 statewide complaints (breakdowns by jurisdictions are not available), 46 were based on disability, 20 on race, 3 on sex, 1 on religion, 9 on national origin, 8 on familial status, and 3 on an unidentified "other", which was not color, sexual orientation, age, or retaliation under which there

were no complaints. Note that the breakdown on complaints exceeds 65. Typically, complainants may file for discrimination based on more than one area (for example, both national origin and race) but MCCR notes that the federal database it uses to track complaints on/among various categories does not provide data on all areas so some information is missing.

THE CONTINUUM OF CARE

Maryland has long been an advocate of the “Continuum of Care” approach of serving homeless persons and persons threatened with homelessness. The three principal features of Maryland’s Continuum of Care are:

1. Preventing low-income individuals and families from becoming homeless, providing outreach to homeless persons, and addressing their individual needs;
2. Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing and service needs of homeless individuals and homeless families; and
3. Helping homeless people make the transition to permanent housing and independent living.

The Department of Human Resources (DHR) has primary responsibility for carrying out the Continuum of Care in Maryland. They offer a broad array of programs ranging from homelessness prevention to shelter to transitional housing programs. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is the main supporting partner in serving the homeless, with special emphasis on homeless persons with special needs including helping persons with mental illness, drug or alcohol addictions or other health issues. DHCD plays a supportive role to these two agencies, with primary emphasis on “bricks and mortars” projects – shelters, transitional housing, and permanent housing – to assist homeless persons as they move through the Continuum, as well as short term rental assistance to families at risk of homelessness. DHR, homeless assistance programs are comprehensive. The services include:

- Service Linked Housing (SLHP)
- Emergency and Transitional Housing and Services Program (ETHS).
- Homelessness Prevention (HPP)
- Homeless Women Crisis Shelter Home Program (HWCSH)
- Housing Counselor and Aftercare Programs (HCAP)

Service Linked Housing Program

This program connects low-income permanent rental housing tenants to services in the community, stabilizing households in precarious housing situations and preventing homelessness. The program funds resident advocates who provide linkages for these residents to supportive services within the community. Services include job-training, health care, parenting skills, substance abuse treatment, budgeting counseling. The table below shows their activities under this program for SFY 2015.

| DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES – SERVICE LINKED HOUSING PROGRAM | | |
|--|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Jurisdiction | SFY 2015 Budget | Number of Households Served SFY 2015 |
| Allegany | \$18,000 | 41 |
| Anne Arundel | \$18,345 | 95 |
| Baltimore City | \$172,583 | 517 |
| Baltimore County | \$19,545 | 238 |
| Caroline | \$17,196 | 79 |
| Carroll | \$17,500 | 33 |
| Frederick | \$55,744 | 135 |
| Garrett | \$30,792 | 83 |
| Harford | \$17,242 | 193 |
| Howard | \$18,000 | 80 |
| Montgomery | \$37,460 | 209 |
| Prince George's | \$91,272 | 285 |
| Washington | \$36,320 | 65 |
| State Total | \$549,999 | 2,053 |

Emergency and Transitional Housing and Services Program

The ETHS program provides funding for emergency shelter beds and support services such as food, transportation, and case management, transitional housing, limited rent and mortgage assistance, and start up cost for new shelters and transitional housing programs. ETHS and HPP serve homeless and at risk individuals and families. The table below provides information on SFY 2015 through the HPP and ETHS programs:

| DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES – HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM / EMERGENCY AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING AND SERVICES PROGRAM | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--------------------|
| Jurisdiction | 2015 Number of HPP Grants Approved | 2015 Total HPP Households Served | 2015 ETHS Individuals Served | 2015 ETHS Shelter Bed nights | 2015 ETHS Number of Rental Assistance Grants | 2015 ETHS Number of Mortgage Assistance Grants | SFY 2015 Budget |
| Allegany | 24 | 24 | 172 | 3,924 | 8 | 0 | \$53,750 |
| Anne Arundel | 81 | 81 | 130 | 3,560 | 0 | 0 | \$157,480 |
| Baltimore City | 467 | 1,898 | 4,885 | 137,197 | 120 | 0 | \$1,494,505 |
| Baltimore Co. | 147 | 163 | 651 | 14,629 | 32 | 0 | \$236,383 |
| Calvert | 7 | 7 | 58 | 584 | 0 | 0 | \$31,769 |
| Caroline | 17 | 17 | 31 | 730 | 35 | 0 | \$22,317 |
| Carroll | 27 | 68 | 98 | 1,958 | 0 | 0 | \$53,943 |
| Cecil | 31 | 0 | 125 | 879 | 37 | 0 | \$65,614 |
| Charles | 18 | 18 | 446 | 7,153 | 0 | 0 | \$151,645 |
| Dorchester | 23 | 23 | 292 | 4,189 | 0 | 0 | \$26,070 |
| Frederick | 39 | 39 | 1,074 | 27,237 | 63 | 0 | \$100,498 |
| Garrett | 11 | 11 | 30 | 30 | 46 | 0 | \$14,966 |
| Harford | 36 | 36 | 1,424 | 20,274 | 0 | 0 | \$74,072 |
| Howard | 26 | 26 | 350 | 5,337 | 19 | 0 | \$72,602 |
| Kent | 13 | 13 | 5 | 16 | 0 | 1 | \$5,698 |
| Montgomery | 25 | 145 | 1,637 | 21,504 | 151 | 1 | \$336,370 |
| Prince George's | 74 | 0 | 415 | 6,214 | 99 | 9 | \$319,211 |
| Queen Anne's | 24 | 24 | 10 | 18 | 26 | 0 | \$12,110 |
| Somerset | 17 | 17 | 14 | 40 | 13 | 0 | \$8,701 |
| St. Mary's | 19 | 19 | 314 | 4,888 | 48 | 0 | \$96,788 |
| Talbot | 18 | 38 | 104 | 2,039 | 16 | 0 | \$31,019 |
| Washington | 37 | 216 | 658 | 12,641 | 7 | 0 | \$106,072 |
| Wicomico | 35 | 71 | 27 | 180 | 43 | 0 | \$70,807 |
| Worcester | 0 | 55 | 298 | 5,428 | 68 | 0 | \$25,306 |
| State Total | 1,216 | 3,114 | 13,278 | 280,649 | 831 | 11 | \$3,567,696 |

Homeless Women Crisis Shelter Program

The HWCSH program provides grant funding for facilities that provide temporary shelter/safe accommodation, meals, information and referral services, and counseling for homeless women and their children. Some of these women have experienced at least one traumatic domestic episode upon entry and have no resources to become self-sufficient. Services are delivered by community-based agencies that assess and address any barriers that prevent them from becoming independent. Residents receive education, job skill training to improve employment opportunities while increasing their income as they secure an independent safe and stable living environment. The table below show grant awards and persons served.

| DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES – HOMELESS WOMEN CRISIS SHELTER PROGRAM | | | |
|---|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Jurisdiction | Organization | SFY 2015 Budget | People Served 2015 |
| Ann Arundel County | Sarah's House | \$73,673 | 431 |
| Baltimore City | House of Ruth, Sarah's Hope | \$432,778 | 719 |
| Baltimore County | St. Vincent de Paul, Family Crisis Center | \$87,797 | 661 |
| Calvert County | Safe Harbor | \$51,447 | 53 |
| Carroll County | Human Service Program of Carroll Co. | \$109,869 | 91 |
| Cecil County | Domestic Violence/Rape Crisis Center | \$23,000 | 118 |
| Garrett County | The Dove Center | \$20,000 | 79 |
| Harford County | SARC | \$66,944 | 185 |
| Montgomery County | Helping Hands | \$47,364 | 67 |
| Prince George's County | Shepherd's Cove | \$143,055 | 123 |
| St. Mary's County | Three Oaks | \$67,241 | 41 |
| Wicomico County | Life Crisis Center | \$19,904 | 99 |
| Worcester County | Diakonia | \$24,557 | 89 |
| State Total | | \$1,167,629 | 2,756 |

Housing Counselor & Aftercare Program (HCAP)

Operating in five jurisdictions, this program assists low income families who are homeless, or in imminent danger of becoming homeless, to locate, secure, and maintain permanent housing. Counselor's help families establish adequate credit references and to apply for subsidized housing. The counselors can also help families' access local public and private resources for the first and last month's rent, security deposits, utility payments, or donations of furniture.

Housing counselors help families to develop and maintain relationships with landlords, often paving the way for people with credit or reference problems to obtain permanent housing. Other assistance may include helping families locate more affordable housing after a rent increase, or helping to find another apartment located near public transportation that is more suitable for a new place of employment. In many of these instances, people are able to remain in housing or to find new housing before being evicted, and as a result, public and private agencies are saved the cost of providing shelter for these households. The table below shows household served and the percentage of those households maintaining their placement after three months.

| DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES – HOUSING COUNSELOR & AFTER CARE PROGRAM | | | | |
|---|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------|
| Jurisdiction | SFY 2015 Budget | Households Served SFY 2015 | Percentage that Retained Permanent Housing at Least Three Months After Placement | |
| Baltimore City | \$73,833 | 188 | Data not available * | |
| Baltimore Co. | \$73,833 | 80 | (11) | 14% |
| Harford | \$36,916 | 94 | (48) | 51% |
| Montgomery | \$36,916 | 63 | (19) | 30% |
| Washington | \$36,916 | 141 | (9) | 6% |
| State Total | \$258,423 | 566 | (87) | 15% |

*Baltimore City discontinued this program in March of 2015, and did not report on this statistic for the fiscal year.

The other major partner in helping the homeless at the State level is the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH). DHMH undertook a number of activities to help homeless persons. DHMH specifically focuses on homeless persons with special needs, such as homeless persons who are mentally ill, homeless persons who have disabilities, homeless persons who have been released from confinement, etc. This included the operation of the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) program,

a Statewide Shelter Plus Care Program through several grants received from HUD, the State's SSI/SSDI, Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) Initiative, and the Homeless Identification Project developed in SFY 2013 through funding from the state's Alcohol Tax Appropriation.

Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness

The Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) supported programs continue to serve as major vehicles for providing services to individuals who are homeless with serious mental illness in Maryland. PATH funds are used for outreach, engagement, case management, screening and diagnostic services, assistance with applying for entitlements, including SSI and SSDI benefits through SOAR trained case managers and outreach specialist, consultation to shelters, training, housing assistance, supportive services in residential settings, and mental health and substance abuse services. PATH funded case managers are located in shelters, detention centers, and service agencies, facilitating outreach and access to services in a timely manner. PATH provides outreach and access in urban, suburban, and all rural areas in Maryland. These services also link individuals and families to the fee-for-service system. The PATH Program is targeted to homeless individuals who have serious mental illnesses or co-occurring substance use disorders who are disconnected from the community and lack the necessary supports to obtain permanent housing.

In SFY 2014, BHA received a decrease in funding of \$78,000 from SFY 2013. The award amount for SFY 2014 was \$1,203,000. PATH provided outreach to 6,733 individuals and enrolled 2,411 in PATH and other related services. In SFY 2014, local PATH supported agencies provided outreach to 7,685 individuals. Of these, 2,368 were enrolled in the PATH program and received additional services.

In SFY 2015, BHA has been awarded \$1,271,000 in PATH funding, an increase of \$68,000 from SFY 2014. Maryland's PATH programs are projected to serve an estimated 4,303 individuals and families.

In SFY 2016, BHA has been awarded \$1,271,000 in PATH funding, the same amount as SFY 2015. Maryland's PATH programs are projected to serve an estimated 4,303 individuals and families. The \$1,271,000 in PATH funding for SFY 2016 will be distributed in the following manner:

| Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - PATH Program | | | |
|---|---|----------------------|------------------|
| Jurisdiction | Administrative Entity | People Served | Financing |
| Allegany County | Allegany County Mental Health Systems, Inc. | 40 | \$52,650 |
| Anne Arundel | Anne Arundel County Mental Health Agency | 45 | \$43,229 |
| Baltimore City | Baltimore Mental Health Systems, Inc. | 620 | \$320,746 |

| Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - PATH Program | | | |
|--|--|---------------|--------------------|
| Jurisdiction | Administrative Entity | People Served | Financing |
| Baltimore County | Baltimore County Bureau of Mental Health | 175 | \$94,200 |
| Calvert County | Calvert County Core Service Agency | 200 | \$28,380 |
| Carroll County | Carroll County Core Service Agency | 250 | \$69,259 |
| Charles County | Charles County Human Services Partnership | 80 | \$33,438 |
| Cecil County | Cecil County Core Service Agency | 12 | \$4,682 |
| Frederick County | Mental Health Management Agency of Frederick | 1,000 | \$74,103 |
| Garrett County | Garrett County Core Service Agency | 48 | \$23,434 |
| Harford County | Harford County Core Service Agency | 100 | \$68,475 |
| Howard County | Howard County Core Service Agency | 75 | \$33,916 |
| Mid-Shore Counties | Mid-Shore Mental Health System | 90 | \$50,124 |
| Montgomery County | Montgomery County Core Service Agency | 290 | \$110,804 |
| Prince George's County | Prince George's County Department of Family Services, Mental Health Authority Division | 175 | \$106,652 |
| St. Mary's County | Mental Health Authority of St. Mary's County | 500 | \$44,140 |
| Somerset County | Somerset County Core Service Agency | 75 | \$9,429 |
| Washington County | Washington County Core Service Agency | 500 | \$35,438 |
| Wicomico County | Wicomico County Core Service Agency | 50 | \$20,934 |
| Worcester County | Worcester County Core Service Agency | 50 | \$31,967 |
| Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene | HMIS Implementation | | \$15,000 |
| TOTAL | | 4,375 | \$1,271,000 |

Individuals who are homeless and have a mental illness are also served by traditional mental health treatment and support programs, including existing psychiatric rehabilitation programs (PRP), residential rehabilitation programs (RRP), case management

entities, crisis service providers, and mobile and on-site clinic services. In addition, outreach and eviction prevention services, as well as coordination with needed mental health services are provided to homeless individuals. State general funds and mental health block grant funds support additional services and programs for the homeless population. Targeted case management (TCM) is available to both the Medicaid and the uninsured population for persons who are homeless and/or being released from incarceration or inpatient hospitalization. TCM provides linkage to mental health services, housing, vocational opportunities, and medical and primary care for persons who are homeless.

Additionally, the BHA provides state general funds to support statewide training for mental health providers, which includes providers of PATH services. A portion of Baltimore Mental Health Systems, which is now Behavioral Health Systems Baltimore, PATH funding is targeted for training for PATH staff delivering services to PATH eligible individuals. In addition to formal training, BHA has quarterly meetings with PATH and Continuum of Care providers to discuss clinical and programmatic issues and to provide an opportunity for information sharing between local providers.

Additional grants have also been used to support needed services. PATH supported services are linked with the HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Rental Assistance Program (formerly known as Shelter Plus Care), which provides tenant-based and/or sponsor-based rental assistance, matched with an array of supportive services tailored to meet the needs of the individual or family. BHA has adopted a strategy to target at least 50% of the units for individuals who are homeless and are being released from detention centers. However, several of the small CoC Rental Assistance grants target those without criminal justice involvement or targets those who meets HUD's definition of "chronically" homeless. The success of the program is measured not only by enhancement in the quality of life to consumers but also by the reduction in readmission to detention centers and hospitals or the return to homelessness.

In 1995, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) first awarded BHA a five-year, \$5.5 million Shelter Plus Care grant to provide housing for individuals who are homeless with serious mental illnesses and their dependents who are being released from the detention center, or are in the community on intensive caseloads of parole and probation. Last year (SFY 2015), BHA's Rental Assistance Program was renewed at \$4,844,037 through 18 renewal grants.

For SFY 2016, BHA (formerly known as MHA) was awarded funding in the total amount of \$4,741,710 for the CoC Rental Assistance renewal grants. Currently, BHA is serving a total of 698 persons which include: single individuals with mental illness, families with children and other family members through the Rental Assistance grants.

In April 2008, BHA assumed the leadership for the State's SSI/SSDI, Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) Initiative. For individuals who are homeless access to the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) programs can be extraordinarily challenging. Nationally, only about 10 to 15 percent of this population who apply for these benefits are approved on the initial application. SOAR offers an expedited process, training for case managers using the Stepping Stones to Recovery Training Curriculum, strategic planning, and technical assistance.

BHA has ensured a strategic and collaborative approach has been taken to the implementation of SOAR within Maryland. This includes establishing a State Planning Workgroup that meets on a quarterly basis and is attended by key stakeholders, including representatives from Disability Determination Services (DDS), the Social Security Administration (SSA), the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS), the Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS), and participating counties. Each year, the SOAR State Planning Workgroup develops and implements a state wide SOAR Action Plan. BHA has also established collaborative working groups in all participating counties; provided 2-day SOAR trainings; supported local SOAR leads to participate in the National SOAR Leaders Academy, provided technical assistance with the collection of SOAR data and collating monthly reports. Additionally, BHA has been able to create a state technical assistance team to offer assistance to new sites and existing sites with review of medical summary reports, training, and assistance with addressing system related concerns. Also, BHA with assistance from partnering workgroup members produces a quarterly SOAR e-newsletter that is sent to all SOAR trained providers and other interested parties.

During SFY2014, the SOAR Certification pilot program was expanded to cover all established SOAR sites. The purpose of the program is to ensure high quality applications and provide recognition for all the hard work that goes into completing SOAR applications. In order to become certified, participants must be SOAR trained, complete a specified number of SOAR applications, be involved in SOAR activities, submit supporting documentation and complete a self-assessment form. As of June 2015, 20 people have been approved for Full SOAR Certification Status and five providers have achieved SOAR Re-Certification.

In SFY2015, BHA continued to expand the SOAR initiative. In addition to the existing work groups in Baltimore City, Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, St Mary's, Washington, and the Lower Eastern Shore counties (Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester), BHA supported the Mid Shores Region (Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne and Talbot Counties) to establish its Work Group and complete its work plan. Providers in these counties have undergone SOAR training and are now participating in the SOAR Initiative.

In SFY2015, BHA sponsored a number of SOAR trainings and a SOAR conference. Four 2-day Stepping Stones to Recovery SOAR trainings were held, training over 90 providers. Each 2-day SOAR training provided an in-depth, step by step explanation of the SSI/SSDI application and disability determination process and provided strategies for case managers working with homeless persons with serious mental illness and co-occurring substance use disorder to successfully access SSI/SSDI benefits. On June 18, 2015, BHA, in collaboration with the University of Maryland Training Center, held its second annual SOAR Conference. Over 85 people attended from across the state and the conference included presentations on a number of such SOAR related topics as TBI and the disability process, navigating the appeals process, and documenting disability, and provided providers with the opportunity to share ideas and learn from one another.

On March 9, 2015, BHA facilitated a one day SOAR Train the Trainer training and, as a result of their participation, three more experienced SOAR providers are now qualified to provide the Stepping Stones to Recovery curriculum in Maryland.

Since September 2009, BHA has been collecting data on success of SOAR in Maryland. As of the end of June 2015, data has been collected on over 970 claims. The approval rate for claims across the state is 80% and the average processing time for initial claims is 76 days. Maryland has one of the highest state approval rates for SOAR claims within the country. Although the National SOAR TA center has yet to publish the national approval rate for initial SOAR cases for SFY2015, in 2014 the national approval rate for initial claims was 65%. In SFY2015, Maryland's approval rate for initial cases was 83%.

As part of the Homeless ID Project, five dedicated SOAR case manager positions were created in FY2013. In SFY2015 these dedicated SOAR Outreach/Case Management positions continued to provide outreach, assistance with applying for SSI/SSDI using SOAR components, assistance with applying for other entitlements, for example, Medicaid, food stamps, housing, employment, and other supports. The SOAR positions are in the following locations: Baltimore City (with an emphasis on working with Veterans), Baltimore County, Frederick County, Lower Eastern Shores and Montgomery County.

In SFY 2015, the Homeless ID Project continues to assist individuals who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless, and have a mental illness or co-occurring substance use disorder through general state funds to purchase identification cards and birth certificates. The five dedicated SOAR case managers are an integral component to the project by also assisting individuals with accessing housing, behavioral health services, medical, entitlements, i.e. SSI or SSDI, or other community supports as a result of acquiring the necessary documentation (ID and birth certificates). Over 2,000 individuals were served throughout the state during the operating year.

Service for Runaway and Homeless Youth

The unmet needs of youth that are homeless are extensive, particularly the needs of the runaway and homeless adolescents with serious emotional disturbance. A special project, for runaway and homeless youth, continues in Ocean City, Maryland, the state's major beach resort area. Located in Worcester County on the Eastern Shore, Ocean City increases from a relatively small community to a population of close to 400,000 in the summer. Many runaway and homeless youth frequent the resort, some experiencing serious psychiatric disorders, almost all involved, in some way, in drug and alcohol abuse. The agencies in the community have formed a successful collaborative consortium to coordinate shelter, primary health, substance abuse, mental health, and other human services for this population. The project serves youth from all areas of the rest of the Maryland and large numbers of youth from other surrounding states in the region.

In FY 2014, The Governor's Office for Children established an Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Task Force to identify and the study the unique needs of unaccompanied youth. This task force developed a task force report and submitted to the Maryland General Assembly its findings. Through the work of this task force, the policy for the Homeless Identification Project was expanded to include homeless unaccompanied youth. Additionally, Federal community mental health block grant funds have been allocated to provide services to homeless youth.

Services for Children in Homeless Families

BHA has funded and provided technical assistance to a project for young children who are homeless because their mothers and other family members live in family shelters throughout Baltimore City. The Parents and Children Together (PACT) program provides a therapeutic nursery at the YWCA shelter in Baltimore City, and extensive consultation at The Ark, a day care program that serves many of the children who reside in family shelters across the entire city. This population is reported to experience significant developmental delays, particularly in language acquisition.

The Chrysalis House Healthy Start (CHHS) Program administered by BHA serves women and children. Sixty five (65) healthy infants have been born at CHHS, including one set of twins. Services that supports the children within the families include prenatal care, nursing care and health education groups for the mothers, parenting classes provided through Family Tree, nurturing and bonding, onsite daycare, and case management services. Nine of the women who were homeless moved into Continuum of Care Rental Assistance Programs through the BHA.

BHA's Rental Assistance Program housed 342 children, within the 187 family households. In addition to the housing, the families with children received an array of supportive services through state, local, and private agencies. Services included mental health treatment, case management, alcohol and substance abuse services, health care, legal services, child care, etc.

Children and adolescents with serious emotional disorders who are homeless can access also access services through the Public Mental Health System and other specialized grants if needed.

Services for Justice Involved Individuals

The Maryland Community Criminal Justice Treatment Program (MCCJTP), with total state funds of \$1.9 million, supports specific programs targeted at adults 18 years of age and older with SMI in detention centers. The development and delivery of care extended to these individuals is rooted in two key principles: 1) create a continuum of care by providing a variety of services by mental health professionals working within the jail and in the community; and 2) develop a local advisory board to conduct a needs assessment particular to the jurisdiction. In FY 2015 the MCCJTP operated in 22 Maryland counties. The program received an estimated total of 9,139 referrals from which an estimated 6,706 received treatment. From a combination of State and local funding the program anticipates providing over 5,671 hours of psychiatric services, nearly 21,709 hours of combined individual and group psychotherapy, and more than 19,006 hours of case management which is an increase from the previous fiscal year. BHA continues to work collaboratively with the CSA's to enhance reentry services. While MCCJTP is unable to track recidivism from county to county until information technology is in place, the current recidivism rate is estimated to be between five percent (5%) and ten percent (10%).

Maryland's efforts to address the issues of individuals with mental illnesses in the criminal justice system were also driven by legislative action which led to the establishment of various workgroups. Starting in FY 2007, a "think-tank" was established in response to House Bill (HB) 990/Senate Bill (SB) 960. The group was charged with exploring issues targeted at "breaking the cycle of re-arrest and re-incarceration" for individuals with mental illnesses. Now formed as the Mental Health and Criminal Justice Partnership (MHCJP), it continues to work with corrections, mental health, substance abuse, consumer and advocacy groups, and other key stakeholders. Their mission is to identify services that aid in reducing recidivism to detention centers. The workgroup and its subcommittees continue to assist with the implementation of key projects, such as, data link, reentry services, and mental health first aid training.

Also, the Maryland Advisory Council on Mental Hygiene/PL 102-321 Planning Council, in collaboration with the Mental Health & Criminal Justice Partnership and the Interagency Forensic Services Committee, continued to promote the development of services including early intervention, diversion, and re-entry for individuals with mental illnesses who encounter the criminal justice system. Additionally, the Secretaries of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) created a special criminal justice "dream" team to examine best practices for pre-trial coordination between community mental health and substance abuse; post trial assessments for care in the detention center; health information/data sharing; and new models for discharge for those being released from the Department of Corrections. BHA's Office of Special Needs Populations Director served as the team lead for DHMH. In FY 2012, the team worked collaboratively to re-initiate the Datalink Project in Baltimore City. A Datalink subcommittee was developed in SFY 2014, to determine new sites for the next expansion, develop public health outcomes, troubleshoot and provide technical assistance to new and existing sites. Through the subcommittee's efforts, Datalink has been expanded to Carroll, Charles, Harford, Howard, and Wicomico Counties. The subcommittee is working to expand the initiative statewide... With Datalink, booking data is sent by the DPSCS to the Administrative Service Organization (ASO) for the Public Mental Health System (PMHS). The data is cross referenced against PMHS. The CSA receives the file of individuals who have been arrested with one or more authorizations for the PMHS within the last two years. The CSAs notifies the providers and identify areas where individuals could potentially benefit from service enhancements and make connections with the individual to ensure continuity of care and to assist with the release planning.

The DHMH and DPSCS team also submitted a grant application to the Department of Justice for Second Chance grant funding to develop a Reach-In Program. The Co-occurring Release Program (Reach-In Program) ended with the close of SFY 15 enrolling 32 individuals with 28 participating in the full range of services. A team of case managers and peer support specialist has been hired and are connecting offenders within four months prior to release to assess community needs and establish or re-establish community linkages. The team will continue to provide services six months post-release and assist with linkages to community based treatment, medical and behavioral care, assistance with applying for entitlements, assistance in securing housing, residential supports, and employment.

BHA also provides \$440,000 in State general funds for the Trauma, Addictions, Mental Health, and Recovery (T.A.M.A.R.) Project which provides treatment for incarcerated men and women who have histories of trauma and have been diagnosed with a mental

illness and/or co-occurring substance abuse disorder. The project is available in nine county detention centers; Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Caroline, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Prince George's, Washington Counties and at Springfield Hospital Center. For FY 2015, TAMAR continued to serve over 400 individuals with a combination of services that included individual and group counseling, grief counseling, and case management. To date, 91 percent of treated individuals were identified with trauma and a substance use disorder. The program projects that 148 of the 428 program participants graduated.

In 2008, TAMAR was recognized with the H.O.P.E. award from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration' (SAMHSA) National Center for Trauma Informed Care for the state's leadership in providing trauma-informed care and the TAMAR Program. TAMAR continues to provide presentations and training to State agencies and community mental health centers throughout the state.

In 2007, Maryland-produced a documentary film, "Behind Closed Doors," which highlights the impact of trauma on the lives of four women. Their compelling stories of recovery offer hope and demonstrate the potential for trauma-informed, innovative programming. This nationally recognized film was produced by the Maryland Disability Law Center with support provided through Maryland's Alternatives to Seclusion and Restraint Project, funded by a SAMHSA grant. It was nominated by SAMHSA for the Voice Award. The National Technical Assistance Center has incorporated the film into their national and international trauma-informed care trainings for publicly funded institutions. A follow up documentary, "Healing Neen," was produced with partial funding from the State and directed by the Maryland Disability Law Center. In 2010, the film featured the life story of Tonier Cain (one of the women featured in the original documentary) and is also used as a national and state training tool. Laura Cain of Maryland Disability Law Center was presented with the Visionary Award by On Our Own of Maryland for the "Healing Neen" documentary.

The majority of the women with co-occurring disorders in the criminal justice system have children and a smaller population is pregnant while incarcerated. BHA was instrumental in developing and implementing a program for eligible pregnant women who were incarcerated or at risk of incarceration in local detention centers and the Maryland Correctional Institute for Women (MCIW).

The Chrysalis House Healthy Start (CHHS) Program, which replaced the TAMAR's Children Program, is a collaborative effort with BHA and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Family Health Administration, Baltimore Mental Health Systems, Inc. and the Archdiocese of Baltimore. This program, funded through state general funds, consists of a 16-bed diagnostic and transitional facility for pregnant and post-partum women and their babies. Pregnant women are referred by the court, the state, Defense Attorney, or DHMH. A comprehensive assessment is conducted by a licensed clinician and an individualized treatment plan is developed between each woman and the treatment team. After the newborn's birth, the mother and baby remain in the residential facility and receive a comprehensive array of services. Services include medical care through contract with a health care organization, mental health treatment which includes trauma and attachment-based treatment interventions, substance abuse treatment and co-occurring treatment services, legal services, parenting and childcare services which includes involvement from the Healthy Start and Family Tree Programs, housing, after-hours residential support, health education, and other support services.

Between July 2007 and June 2015, there have been 147 separate admissions to the program and 67 healthy babies have been born during this period. The majority of women are known to have both mental health and substance abuse issues and have a history of significant trauma. The largest source of referrals is from Baltimore City Detention Center and Baltimore City Women's Detention Center.

Evaluations undertaken have consistently shown significant reported improvements in mental health, overall health, and day to day functioning and significant reductions reported in criminal behavior. A recent evaluation report indicated a correlation between length of stay and subsequent involvement in the criminal justice system with those staying longest at CHHS seeming to be least likely to have further involvement in the criminal justice system.

DHCD carried out its supportive role in the Continuum through a combination of actions and programs. DHCD used two programs to prevent families from becoming homeless – the State's RAP program and the ESG program. DHCD funded 31 homeless prevention grants with ESG funds. In regard to State funding, as noted above, a total of 577 households were helped with RAP funds.

The emergency and transitional needs for homeless individuals were also addressed through the ESG program. Under the ESG program, DHCD provided maintenance and operating funding for 49 different emergency shelters assisting 2,130 persons.

The Department does not undertake direct outreach to individuals experiencing homelessness directly. However, six of our 53 Emergency Solutions Grant program subgrantees are funded for Street Outreach to unsheltered, homeless individuals. An additional 18 are funded to provide shelter work and essential services. Both subgrantees performing Street Outreach and those conducting shelter work and essential services conduct some assessment of the needs of individual experiencing homelessness. Target populations include women, chronically homeless, and general homeless populations. Subgrantees are required to provide a statement of need with every ESG funding cycle, including any assessments conducted during Street Outreach and Essential Services.

Helping the homeless make the transitional to permanent housing was made through DHCD's Shelter and Transitional Housing Grant program. As noted above, this program financed two projects with 150 of transitional housing during the reporting period. Permanent housing was provided through DHCD's rental housing programs, which financed 2,965 units of affordable rental housing in the past year.

Other Housing Opportunities

The Housing First Pilot project was grant funded starting in the second half of FY15, with the option to renew the grant in subsequent years. The pilot project is overseen by the core service agency (CSA) in Baltimore City, but encompasses 3 jurisdictions (Baltimore City, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties). Baltimore City is developing 36 units of Housing First and the provider

selected is Healthcare for the Homeless. Montgomery County is to develop 24 units and Prince George's County 12 units, both having as the selected provider People Encouraging People, an ACT provider in each county. The goal is to assist persons who are homeless or chronically homeless, being served by 1) the SOAR programs, 2) persons discharged from State hospitals, or 3) persons graduating from RRP level of care to independent or supported housing.

Maryland Partnership for Affordable Housing (MPAH) is a joint collaboration of DHCD, the Maryland Department of Disabilities (MDOD) and DHMH (Money Follows the Person, DDA, and BHA) and other advocate partners. MPAH was awarded \$10.9 million to develop 150 units of HUD Section 811 Project-based Rental Assistance in FY13, with priorities for 1) persons who are institutionalized or those at risk, 2) persons graduating from mental health RRP or DDA group homes, and 3) persons who are homeless. All applicants must be Medicaid eligible and at 30% or less of Area Median Income (AMI). This HUD award is focused on the counties in Maryland that make up the greater Baltimore and Washington DC metropolitan areas. The first housing units will be ready for by the end of calendar year 2015. During FY15 MPAH submitted another proposal to HUD and was awarded an additional \$9.8 million to create another 150 units of Section 811 housing for the same priority groups, but these units will be developed statewide.

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA)

During the past year the Maryland AIDS Administration of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) continued to operate the HOPWA program. DHMH gives funding from the grant to carry out the Maryland Rural Rental Assistance Program which provides rental assistance to persons with HIV/AIDS, while DHMH uses its portion of the funds for supportive services. This DHCD operated program operates in the twelve rural counties in Maryland that do not receive HOPWA funds through the HOPWA entitlement program. The twelve counties under the State program are Allegany, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Garrett, Kent, Saint Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester. The table below provides information on families assisted by DHCD during the reporting period:

| HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS | | | |
|--|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013 | | | |
| County | Units | People | Financing |
| Allegany | 4 | 4 | \$4,367 |
| Dorchester | 8 | 17 | \$47,861 |
| Garrett | 2 | 2 | \$8,914 |
| Somerset | 1 | 1 | \$2,142 |
| St. Mary's | 7 | 10 | \$48,465 |
| Talbot | 2 | 2 | \$8,776 |
| Washington | 10 | 26 | \$37,048 |

| HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013 | | | |
| County | Units | People | Financing |
| Wicomico | 7 | 13 | \$23,937 |
| Worcester | 4 | 8 | \$18,505 |
| TOTAL: | 45 | 83 | \$200,015 |

Assistance to Persons with Special Needs

In addition to activities funded under the HOPWA grant, DHCD provided assistance to persons with Special Needs, including persons with disabilities and the elderly and frail elderly, through a variety of State programs. This included the persons assisted with the 10 beds financed under the Group HOME and SHOP programs, and the 17 households assisted under the Homeownership for Persons with Disabilities Program. In addition, as noted above, DHCD continues to support providing housing to persons with Special Needs in its rating and ranking system for developing multi-family rental units. This was achieved by doubling the number of points received under the rating and ranking system for rental housing loans that provide accessible units for persons with Special Needs. This resulted in 160 rental units being financed through these programs during the reporting period, which use both federal and State funds, including federal HOME funds, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, State appropriations, as well as private financing and developer's equity among other sources. All of these additional units are either fully handicapped accessible or specifically outfitted for persons with visual or hearing disabilities.

In addition, DHCD, in cooperation with its partner agencies DHMH and MDoD signed a cooperative agreement with HUD in June 2014 under the HUD Section 811PRA Demo. Maryland was the first grantee in the country to sign their cooperative agreement. This effort is expected to provide 150 affordable rental housing units to persons with disabilities over the next five years. As also noted earlier in the CAPER, DHCD, working with DHMH and the MDoD, has been awarded an additional grant under the FY 2013 HUD Section 811 PRA for \$9.8 million.

Antipoverty Strategy

The Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG) was created by the federal Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981 to provide a range of services designed to assist low-income people. Services rendered under the CSBG program tie directly into the State's Anti-poverty strategy as it helps low-income people attain the skills, knowledge and motivation needed to achieve self-sufficiency.

Congress appropriates funds for the CSBG program. Eligible entities or Community Action Agencies (CAAs) must receive annually 90% of the funds appropriated. These eligible entities have been designated by either the federal government or the State of

Maryland's Department of Housing and Community Development to act on behalf of Maryland's low-income population. The CAAs are required to provide programs that meet the needs of the local jurisdiction.

The table below shows activities Maryland's CAAs are undertaking with CSBG funds. Please note that the "individuals assisted" column is a best estimate because the program operates on a federal fiscal year basis, which closes September 30, 2014.

| COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT Est. Activity July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Grantee Name | Project County | Individuals Assisted | Grant Amount | Leveraged Dollars | Total |
| Allegany Co. HRDC | Allegany | 22,111 | \$270,909 | \$12,951,513 | \$13,222,422 |
| Anne Arundel County EOC | Anne Arundel | 9,828 | \$338,226 | \$7,132,829 | \$7,471,055 |
| Mayor's Office of Human Services | Baltimore City | 24,080 | \$2,877,387 | \$11,731,171 | \$14,608,558 |
| Community Assistance Network | Baltimore County | 36,639 | \$531,146 | \$3,351,610 | \$3,882,756 |
| Delmarva Community Services | Dorchester | 3,633 | \$275,835 | \$16,587,673 | \$16,863,508 |
| Frederick Community Action | Frederick City and County | 9,206 | \$263,521 | \$3,679,018 | \$3,942,539 |
| Garrett County Community Action Committee | Garrett | 7,454 | \$248,744 | \$13,382,766 | \$13,315,510 |
| Harford County Community Action | Harford | 15,814 | \$247,923 | \$3,991,589 | \$4,239,512 |
| Community Action Council of Howard County | Howard | 10,922 | \$247,923 | \$8,584,663 | \$8,832,586 |
| Human Services Programs of Carroll County | Carroll | 7,420 | \$245,460 | \$4,172,781 | \$4,418,241 |
| Maryland Rural Development Corporation | Cecil, Caroline and Kent Counties | 580 | \$312,777 | \$4,117,801 | \$4,430,578 |

| COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT Est. Activity July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
|---|---|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Grantee Name | Project County | Individuals Assisted | Grant Amount | Leveraged Dollars | Total |
| Montgomery County Community Action | Montgomery | 13,038 | \$452,336 | \$7,403,779 | \$7,856,115 |
| Neighborhood Service Center | Talbot | 3,897 | \$244,639 | \$938,520 | \$1,183,159 |
| Shore UP! Inc. | Queen Anne's, Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester Counties | 12,444 | \$443,306 | \$15,296,762 | \$15,740,068 |
| Southern Maryland Tri-County CAC | Calvert, Charles and Saint Mary's Counties | 16,999 | \$400,617 | \$13,966,352 | \$14,366,969 |
| Spanish Speaking Communities of Maryland | Frederick, Montgomery, and Prince George's Counties | 1,680 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| United Communities Against Poverty, Inc. | Prince George's | 3,380 | \$537,714 | \$2,770,016 | \$3,307,730 |
| Washington County CAC, Inc. | Washington | 10,476 | \$270,909 | \$5,569,132 | \$5,840,041 |
| TOTAL | | 209,601 | \$8,209,378 | \$135,627,975 | \$143,521,347 |

PART II - ASSESSMENT OF ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

The State of Maryland's Consolidated Plan has three major goals:

- To Revitalize Communities
- To Encourage Homeownership
- To Expand the Supply of decent, affordable housing

The State's efforts to meet these goals in the last year and carrying out the Five Year Consolidated Plan were generally very successful.

Goal: Revitalizing Communities

DHCD was very successful in its goal of helping to revitalize Maryland's communities. Under the State's policies, almost all of DHCD's housing, business, and community development programs are targeted to either Smart Growth areas or designated revitalization areas. DHCD's Community Legacy program, the success of the Neighborhood BusinessWorks program, the award of tax credits by the Community Investment Tax Credit program, and the targeting of housing programs to designated revitalization areas all worked together to help revitalize at-risk neighborhoods. Activities undertaken by the CSBG program that helped people living in at risk neighborhoods helped promote community revitalization as well.

FEDERALLY FUNDED ACTIVITIES – **ASSESSMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROJECTS IN RELATION TO PRIORITIES**

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Assessment of the Use of CDBG funds in Relation to Priorities of the Con Plan

MD CDBG awarded funds for 25 new grants and 2 amendments to existing grants from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. All were within the High Priority category as designated in the Consolidated Plan. The new grants will improve or construct sewer systems, water systems, sidewalks, streets and other infrastructure for 30,398 persons. Of those, 17,418 or 57% are persons of low and moderate income. The remainder of community facilities and buildings will serve 2,585 persons, of whom 89% are of low and moderate income. For housing related activities, 211 units will be constructed or rehabilitated. Of those, 100% are estimated for low and moderate income households. Two new grants will provide downpayment assistance to 35 homebuyers. Two new grants will result in the creation of 12 new jobs. Additionally, we can further report the following:

Proposed and Accomplishments - Housing

For Program Year 2014, there are 7 new grants with housing activities. They include: 1) rehabilitation of 46 owner-occupied units; 2) acquisition and rehabilitation of 90 multi-family rental units for senior citizens 3) acquisition and construction of 75 new multi-family rental units; 5) downpayment assistance to 35 homeowners. The proposed activities will benefit low and moderate income households. The following is a comparative analysis of the types of housing units proposed for Program Year 2014 and actual units produced from previously awarded grants.

| Program Year 2014 | Owner Occupied Rehabilitation | | Multifamily Rental Rehabilitation | | Multifamily Rental Construction | | Homeowner Assistance | |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|----|----------------------|----|
| | P | A | P | A | P | A | P | A |
| | 46 | 94 | 90 | 74 | 75 | 83 | 35 | 32 |

Note: P=Proposed, A=Accomplishments To Date

The following is a comparative analysis of the homeowners and renters who benefited to date from Program Year 2014 CDBG assistance and previously awarded grants, within the low and moderate income levels:

Housing Beneficiary Analysis

| Renter Households | | | | Homeowner Households (includes new construction from prior years) | | | |
|-------------------|------------|------------|-----------|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Income Level | 51-80% AMI | 31-50% AMI | 0-30% AMI | Income Level | 51-80% AMI | 31-50% AMI | 0-30% AMI |
| | 8 | 71 | 78 | | 55 | 50 | 32 |

Proposed and Accomplishments - Public Facilities Accomplishments

Three new grants were awarded during Program Year 2014 for renovations to existing public facilities. Two new grants were awarded for the new construction of new public facility. For improvements to public facilities, 51% of all beneficiaries must be of low and moderate income. The funded public facilities will serve clientele that are either presumed or income qualified to be low and moderate income. The following chart identifies the number of beneficiaries proposed for Program Year 2014 and actual beneficiaries reported during Program Year 2014 as a result of current and previously awarded grants.

| Program Year 2014 | Proposed | Proposed LMI | % LMI | Accomplishments To Date | Actual | Actual LMI | % LMI |
|-------------------|----------|--------------|-------|-------------------------|--------|------------|-------|
| | 2,585 | 2,309 | 89% | | 151 | 151 | 100% |

Proposed and Accomplishments - Infrastructure

Ten new grants were awarded during Program Year 2014 for construction of new infrastructure or improvements to existing infrastructure. One amendment was made for an infrastructure grant awarded in prior years. For infrastructure activities, 51% of all beneficiaries must be of low and moderate income. The funded infrastructure activities will benefit communities or areas where it has been determined that at least 51% of the persons living there are of low and moderate income. The following chart identifies the number of beneficiaries proposed for Program Year 2014 and actual beneficiaries reported during Program Year 2014 as a result of current and previously awarded grants.

| Program Year 2014 | Proposed | Proposed LMI | % LMI | Accomplishments To Date | Actual | Actual LMI | % LMI |
|-------------------|----------|--------------|-------|-------------------------|--------|------------|-------|
| | 30,398 | 17,418 | 57% | | 31,556 | 18,684 | 59% |

Proposed and Accomplishments – Planning

Two new grants were awarded in Program Year 2014 for planning activities. The funded planning activities will benefit communities or areas where it has been determined that at least 51% of the persons are of low and moderate income. The following chart

identifies the number of beneficiaries proposed for Program Year 2014 and actual beneficiaries reported during Program Year 2014 as a result of current and previously awarded grants.

| Program Year 2014 | Proposed | Proposed LMI | % LMI | Accomplishments To Date | Actual | Actual LMI | % LMI |
|-------------------|----------|--------------|-------|-------------------------|--------|------------|-------|
| | 6,797 | 6,336 | 93% | | 12,539 | 7,548 | 60% |

Proposed and Accomplishments – Economic Development

Two new grants were awarded in Program Year 2014 for economic development activities. The funded activities will result in the creation of new jobs for 112 new jobs, 51% will be for LMI people. The following chart identifies the number of beneficiaries proposed for Program Year 2014 and actual beneficiaries reported during Program Year 2014 as a result of current grants.

| Program Year 2014 | Proposed | Proposed LMI | % LMI | Accomplishments To Date | Actual | Actual LMI | % LMI |
|-------------------|----------|--------------|-------|-------------------------|--------|------------|-------|
| | 112 | 58 | 51% | | 46 | 38 | 82 % |

Resources

Each year, CDBG projects are leveraged from a variety of resources: local jurisdictions, counties, non-profits, private businesses, as well as other State and Federal agencies. Overall, \$1 of CDBG awarded has been leveraged with \$38,839,895 of funds from other resources for Program Year 2014. The Summary of CDBG Projects awarded funds for Program Year 2014 includes leverage and total project cost.

CDBG Monitoring

Each open activity is assigned a performance and outcome measure consistent with the type of CDBG activity. MD CDBG Program continues to use its revised grantee reporting system to collect the required performance and outcome data for HUD. Grantees receive a briefing on performance and outcome reporting at CDBG's annual Application and Training Workshop and, in more detail, at Implementation Training for grantees. Technical assistance for grant reporting is also provided on an on-going basis as needed. The progress by grantees on meeting performance and outcome requirements, as well as accomplishments and beneficiaries, are reported in HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) by the MD CDBG Program.

CDBG Project Managers conducted 23 monitoring reviews during Program Year 2014. MD DHCD uses the team approach to monitor regulatory compliance, accomplishments, performance measurement outcomes and national objectives of the various grant components. CDBG Project Managers provide technical assistance to grantees as needed during the administration of the grant. Each project is monitored, at a minimum for eligibility, national objective and financial management. In most cases, the monitoring includes a review of all applicable areas specific to the project. The Monitoring Handbook contains checklists for evidence of documentation to indicate that grantee practices are consistent with CDBG policies and regulation. There are checklists for:

- Environmental review
- Project Management and Record keeping
- Financial Management
- Procurement and Bonding
- Acquisition
- Relocation
- Fair Housing/Equal Opportunity (FHEO)
- Labor Standards
- Housing Rehabilitation
- Public Facilities / Infrastructure
- Economic Development
- Sub Recipient Monitoring
- Audit Compliance

The grant monitoring also includes a review of the evidence of documentation that the designated performance measures and outcomes have been met.

The grantee is sent a written report of the monitoring results. If there are findings or matters of concern, the report includes corrective actions that the grantee must achieve for compliance. When all findings and matters of concern are resolved, the monitoring phase of the grant is completed and project moves to closeout.

Closeout of CDBG Projects

Upon successful completion of the monitoring phase, the State initiates the closeout process. During Program Year 2014, 12 CDBG projects were formally closed by the State.

Goal: Encouraging Homeownership

DHCD provided homeownership to 2,365 (non-duplicated) households last year, above its goal of 1,868 units. This was the first year this happened under the Consolidated Plan, as previous year's activity were very adversely affected by the melt down in the mortgage market. This was the result in large part due to improvements in the economy and the homeownership market. While DHCD did not meet its overall goal for homeownership in the five year Plan, this year's performance was a significant increase from previous years.

Goal: Expanding the Supply of Decent Affordable Housing

The Department financed 2,965 non-duplicated units of Rental Housing, exceeding its goal of 2,184 units. This allowed DHCD to exceed its rental housing goals under the Five Year Plan. This was primarily due to two factors: a substantial increase in State funding for rental housing under the Rental Housing Works initiative, and undertaking more bond funded rental housing due to low interest rates.

DHCD has greatly exceeded its five year goals for the Special Loan programs. The office was reorganized during the reporting period, but even so, based on previous production they had already exceeded their five year goals under the Con Plan last year. For the rental subsidy programs, DHCD assisted 660 households through RAP, and HOPWA, which exceeded its goal of 500 units.

Goals and Accomplishments

The table below shows DHCD's proposed housing goals for each Consolidated Planning year compared to actual accomplishments.

| GOALS BY YEAR | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| | Rental Housing | | Homeownership | | Special Loans* | | Rental Subsidy | |
| Year | Goal | Actual | Goal | Actual | Goal | Actual | Goal | Actual |
| 2010 | 2,600 | 3,179 | 1,868 | 724 | 3,704 | 4,515 | 2,794 | 2,788 |
| 2011 | 2,184 | 2,255 | 1,868 | 1,450 | 3,704 | 5,973 | 500 | 606 |
| 2012 | 2,184 | 2,158 | 1,868 | 1,577 | * | 758 | 500 | 577 |
| 2013 | 2,184 | 2,638 | 1,868 | 1,640 | * | 504 | 500 | 599 |
| 2014 | 2,184 | 2,965 | 1,868 | 2,348 | * | 893 | 500 | 660 |
| TOTAL | 11,336 | 13,195 | 9,340 | 7,739 | 7,408 | 12,643 | 4,794 | 5,230 |

NOTE: Actual Numbers for Homeownership and Rental Housing are non-duplicated counts. That is, for homeownership, owners

who received both an MMP loan and a DSELP loan are only counted once. For rental housing, most projects have multiple funding sources (for example, Tax Credits, HOME, MEEHA and State funds) but units are only counted once. For the Rental Subsidy Programs, Housing Choice Vouchers are only counted in the first year in order to avoid double counting.

*During the reporting period, the Special Loans office was re-organized, with programs that had been previously under the Office moved to a newly created office focusing on energy assistance. Consequently, the goals for the newly revised office and its functions had not been established when this change took place. The table below shows DHCD's housing accomplishments compared to the five year goals established in the Consolidated Plan:

| Accomplishments to Date | | | | | |
|--|----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Report Year | Rental Housing | Homeownership | Special Loans | Rental Subsidy* | Total for Reporting Year |
| 2010 | 3,179 | 724 | 4,515 | 2,788 | 10,264 |
| 2011 | 2,255 | 1,468 | 5,973 | 606 | 10,005 |
| 2012 | 2,158 | 1,577 | 758 | 577 | 7,082 |
| 2013 | 2,638 | 1,640 | 503 | 599 | 5,380 |
| 2014 | 2,965 | 2365 | 893 | 660 | 6,883 |
| Total | 13,195 | 7,774 | 12,642 | 5,230 | 39,614 |
| | | | | | |
| Five Year Goal | 11,336 | 9,340 | 7,408 | 4,794 | 33,484 |
| Percent Production Five-year Goal | 116.4% | 83.2% | 170.6% | 109.1% | 118.3% |

* Note that FY 10 funding for Rental Subsidy includes Vouchers Administered. Years 2011-2014 does not include the Section 8 Vouchers the Department was already operating in 2010 in order to prevent double counting. Rather, this number includes RAP and HOPWA assistance, as well as new VASH (homeless veterans) Vouchers given to DHCD to administer.

Housing that meets Section 215 goals

HUD asks grantees to report on housing that meets Section 215 goals. Housing that meets Section 215 criteria are housing units that meet all the same income targeting and repayment provisions of the federal HOME program, whether or not the housing units were actually HOME funded. All rental services assistance, and all special loans units, and all rental units that DHCD financed in the last two years would meet Section 215 goals. While many of DHCD's homeownership loans went to households who meet Section 215 income limits, because our repayment requirements are different than those of the HOME program, most homeownership units don't meet Section 215 criteria. Consequently, only the HOME-financed homeownership units would meet Section 215 goals.

The Public Welfare

The financing the State provides for the development of affordable rental housing is not available in the private sector. Low interest loans and grants from the State (coupled with federal, local and private resources) are critical to the success of these financing programs as part of the Department's overall neighborhood conservation efforts. Without the State's programs to fill funding gaps and leverage other money, a significant amount of housing would not be generated. Revitalization efforts often consist of the rehabilitation of older buildings that contain hazardous materials. DHCD financing is typically used to abate such health, safety and environmental hazards as lead paint and asbestos. In addition, critical systems, such as heating, plumbing, electrical and structural, are replaced and upgraded. Investment in rental housing development also generates State and local government revenue. State revenue during construction includes sales tax, personal income tax and transfer tax. Construction period revenue to local governments includes personal income, transfer and recordation taxes, along with impact, sewer, water and other fees.

Industries and trade groups also benefit from the production of rental housing. The creation of jobs and the generation of intermediary fees provide additional financial benefits to appraisers, architects, engineers, attorneys, developers and general contractors.

The ability to maintain or increase the level of homeownership in any given community can have a critical impact on the health of the community and the residents. The elimination of funding would reduce the opportunity for Marylanders to become homeowners and for our communities to reach their full potential.

The Special Loan Programs reduce public health threats by eliminating lead hazards and providing funding to supply adequate water and sewage disposal systems in residential housing. It is well documented that lead in the blood severely affects children less than six years of age and pregnant women. A lead-poisoned child's medical bills may be as high as \$1,000 a day and the child will sustain permanent injuries. These injuries reduce the child's ability to become a productive member of society. More often than not, the lead-poisoned child has no insurance, so medical charges are borne by taxpayers. The main source of lead hazards is from the deterioration of lead-based paint in residential housing, primarily those built before 1950. Maryland has more than 160,000 of these units. Special Loans receives funding to eliminate the hazards of lead-based paint in residential housing. The small investment to eliminate lead hazards pays many dividends by eliminating potential medical costs and societal costs.

The group housing programs reduce the overall costs to government for housing individuals with disabilities. Large residential institutions charge a rate 3 to 4 times the rate to care for an institutionalized individual than community-based residences. The State is primarily responsible for the cost of care. Consequently, the State realizes substantial savings when an individual is placed in a community residence, rather than a large institution. Also, many privately financed group housing sponsors must rent their facilities at high rates in order to pay high interest rate mortgages from private lending institutions. Financing through the Department's

programs allows the sponsor to lower housing costs, and provides an opportunity for the State to recapture these funds and reuse them to provide additional housing.

HOME Specific Reporting Requirements

The activities carried out under the State's HOME Program during the reporting period followed the overall objectives identified in the Consolidated Plan. The fundamental objective of the Consolidated Plan is to serve the needs of the very low-income households in the State of Maryland. The HOME Program has been instrumental in helping to meet the housing priority needs of those households identified in the Plan. The housing goals identified included providing homeownership opportunities for very low-income Maryland citizens, revitalization of existing neighborhoods and communities, and leveraging valuable State resources.

The HOME funds committed during the reporting period were consistent with the goals and the objectives identified in the Consolidated Plan. During the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, the State utilized \$9,218,607 in HOME funds. These funds were used for 42 loans, totaling 107 HOME-assisted units, at an average cost of \$ 86,155 per unit. These consisted of \$ 7,933,430 for multi-family rental housing projects, \$ 182,295 for homeownership assistance, and \$668,461 for homeowner rehabilitation assistance \$300,426 for acquisition and rehabilitation of Group Homes for rental and \$133,995 for a sponsor loan for acquisition/rehabilitation/resale.

Rental housing activity consisted of: (4) four multi-family rental housing projects receiving a total award of \$7,933,430 in HOME funds for 417 units of which 66 are HOME-assisted units .

There were 28 direct homebuyer assistance projects during the reporting period. HOME funds were primarily used as soft second mortgages to help make home purchases affordable, as well as for down payment and closing cost assistance.

| HOME Program Incomes Served | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| ACTIVITY | 0-30% | 31-50% | 51-60% | 61-80% |
| Homebuyer Assistance | 0 | 12 | 7 | 9 |
| Owner Occupied Rehabilitation | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sponsor Acquisition/Rehab Rental | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | | | | |

Homeownership assistance succeeded in assisting families with three or more members. Twenty Two (22) families with three or more members used HOME funds to purchase their homes. Homeownership assistance also reached the minority population by assisting 22 minority households.

Homeowner rehabilitation continued to play a major role in the HOME Program. There were 5 individual homeowners assisted during the reporting period. The average HOME program cost per unit for homeowner rehabilitation was \$133,692. The majority of the activity was generated through the Special Targeted Areas Rehabilitation (STAR) program. The STAR program assisted households who could not qualify for other State loan programs. There was also four group home rental unit assisted during the reporting period and 1 sponsor home for acquisition/rehab/resale to a low/income homebuyer.

Affirmative Marketing:

The requirements for affirmative marketing in accordance with Section 92.351 are contained in the written agreement, the State's Regulatory Agreement, for the HOME Program. The Regulatory Agreement is executed at closing with entities and sponsors receiving HOME funds for rental housing projects. The success of affirmative marketing is reviewed as part of the ongoing monitoring process for each project. An Asset Management Officer is assigned to each rental housing project that receives financing from the State. The Asset Management Officer works with project management staff to ensure compliance with the Regulatory Agreement, including the requirement for affirmative marketing.

There was one large rental housing project with five or more units under construction during the reporting period. The project under construction contains a total of 14 HOME-assisted units. The procedures for affirmatively marketing units, as outlined in the Regulatory Agreement, will be executed by the projects' owners at closing. The sponsor is required to display the "Fair Housing" logo prominently in the Rental Office and forward copies of all written advertisements and transcripts of radio/television advertisements and transcripts to the Asset Manager during the initial lease-up period. The sponsor agrees to maintain affirmative marketing records and to comply with the provisions of Federal, State and local laws prohibiting discrimination in housing. The recently begun rental housing projects are in compliance with the procedures to affirmatively market their units as specified in the Regulatory Agreement.

Assessment of Affirmative Marketing Efforts

As noted above, DHCD requires all recipients of HOME funds to have an Affirmative Marketing Plan as part of the requirement for receiving HOME funds. This obligation, along with the obligation to comply with all HOME requirements, is memorialized in the Deed of Trust recorded at initial closing on the financing. DHCD holds a kick-off meeting for all multifamily financing through the Department. This meeting is attended by all members of the development team for the project, including the management company. Whenever departmental financing includes HOME funds, the HOME Program Administrator attends the kick-off meeting to review all HOME requirements. DHCD will emphasize the affirmative marketing obligations and provide written guidance outlining how the owner should comply with this obligation.

As part of its underwriting for the financing, DHCD requires submission of a marketing plan for the property and will review the Plan for outreach to individuals with disabilities and to ensure that an affirmative marketing plan is included as part of the overall project's marketing plans. Failures to include the plan, as well as any deficiencies in the submitted plan are noted in a report back to the development team. All deficiencies must be corrected prior to initial closing of the loan.

Owners are reminded at the project kick-off and at the pre-closing meeting that projects that receive HOME funding are required to keep Affirmative Marketing Plans on site and that such plans will be reviewed as part of compliance monitoring carried out on-site by Asset Managers from the Division of Credit Assurance. During the on-site compliance review, Asset Managers will determine whether the Affirmative Marketing Plan is present, record the goals in the plan, and help capture the data on initial occupants in housing projects, which is also captured in IDIS.

To assess the success of affirmative marketing plans, owners will be asked to provide to the HOME Program Administrator their assessment based on the goals set in the plan. An overall assessment of affirmative marketing plans will be made by the HOME Program Administrator based on a review of the goals of the affirmative marketing plans, the owners' assessments, and the results of initial occupancies.

Overall, DHCD's assessment of its affirmative marketing is "excellent". DHCD will continue to strive to monitor and assess the success of affirmative marketing plans for multifamily HOME projects while maintaining its strong outreach in areas such as those listed above.

Minority and Women Outreach:

The State takes an aggressive role in encouraging and promoting the use of minority (MBE) and women (WBE) owned enterprises in State funded housing activities. The State's policy sets a goal to make a good faith effort to award 29 percent of the costs of State-funded projects, including those assisted with HOME funds, to minority and women owned business contractors and vendors. For multi-family rental housing projects, extra points are awarded under the project evaluation criteria when a minority or women owned business entity has a controlling ownership interest. Once funds are awarded, rental housing project sponsors must submit a plan describing the efforts they will take to reach the 29 percent MBE and WBE participation goal. Final numbers are still being determined for SFY 2015, but for SFY 2014 this was 43 percent, far above our MBE/WBE goal.

Home Match

The federal government requires that DHCD's allocation of HOME funds be matched by State resources. The match is a 25 percent match, that is, DHCD must provide \$1 in match for every three dollars in HOME funds it receives. DHCD is allowed to "bank" matching funds from previous years, as well as the current program year. DHCD uses its Rental Allowance Program to meet the HOME match requirement. This program offers a direct rental benefit to extremely low-income households, and HUD has

determined it as a fully eligible source of match. This program used \$1,168,551.50 in state funding during the reporting period. Due to a presidentially declared disaster related to Hurricane Sandy, DHCD's match requirement for the HOME Program was waived for FFY 13 which covered the period from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013 and FFY 14 which covered the period from October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. Therefore, the RAP dollars from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2014 and the RAP dollars from October through September 30, 2014 are being banked in DHCD's HOME match account.

Project Monitoring

DHCD/DCA staff inspected **56** HOME-assisted apartment projects with **2,994** total units and **845** HOME-assisted units during the reporting period. This included both physical inspections and inspecting tenant files. No units failed the physical inspection, and no tenants were found over-income, or paying excess rent or not recertified. In addition to inspecting the projects and tenant incomes and rents, the monitoring also included the inspection of common areas in HOME-assisted projects. This included checking halls, stairwells, laundry rooms, recreation rooms, lobbies, and exteriors. As the chart below indicates, several negative findings were reported.

HOME MONITORING

| | |
|---|--|
| Description of areas monitored in on-site inspections: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance & Security: General physical condition; preventive maintenance; vacant unit preparation; and security program. • Financial Management: Budget management; cash controls; submission of reports; financial compliance; and rental collection. • Leasing & Occupancy: Tenant selection and orientation; leases and deposits; rent schedule compliance; application processing; recertification system; monthly vouchers; and tenant files and records. • Drug-Free Housing Policy: Evidence of drug use/sales at project address. • General Management Practices: Owner participation; organization and supervision; staffing and personnel practices; operating procedures and manuals; training; and office administration. | |
| Total number of projects due for inspection during program year based on total number of units in a HOME-assisted project | 56 projects |
| Total number of projects inspected on-site for property standards during program year | 56 projects |
| Total number of projects inspected on site for accuracy of information on rents and incomes during program year | 56 projects |
| Total number of HOME units and common areas inspected | 275 units (Common areas in every project are inspected. Examples of common areas include halls, stairwells, laundry rooms, recreational rooms, lobbies and exteriors.) |
| Total number of units which did not pass inspection | None |
| Total number of tenant files reviewed | 275 |
| Total number of files in which errors were discovered | None |

Public Comments

DHCD opened a 30 day public comment period on the CAPER on Monday, August 17, 2015 accepting comments via both email and standard mail through Tuesday, September 15, 2015. The draft Performance Report was made available on DHCD's website, and hard copies of the CAPER were also provided to the following regional lending libraries: the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore, the Washington County Free Library in Hagerstown, the Lewis J. Ort Library in Frostburg, the Frederick Douglas Library in Princess Anne, the Blackwell Library in Salisbury and the Southern Maryland Regional Library in Charlotte Hall. A large print version of the document was also made available at the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in Baltimore, and DHCD made copies of the CAPER to the public as well by simply writing, calling, or emailing the Department. This information was placed in newspapers throughout the State, including the Afro American, Capital Gazette, Baltimore Sun, Hagerstown Daily Mail, Salisbury Times, and various smaller newspapers through Chesapeake publishing services.

The State also held four public hearings on the CAPER, including hearings in DHCD headquarters in Latham, on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., at the Central Library in Denton on Wednesday, September 9, 2014 at 1:30 p., at the Fairview Branch Library in Owings on September 10, 2015 at 10:30 am., and at the Allegany County Office Complex in Cumberland on Friday, September 11, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. All sites were handicapped accessible.

No oral comments were received on the Performance Report. DHCD received two written comments, basically commending the Department on the work it has done to help persons with disabilities and encouraging DHCD to continue to do so.